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GENERAL NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN.]

De Lesseps' Scheme.

NEW YORK, Jan 1—The Paris correspondent of the Tribune ridicules De Lesseps means of raising the wind by his isthmus canal operation. The real purpose, the true inwardness of the scheme lies in the 15th article of the contract of the association consolidating the company. This states that ten per cent. of the shares are to form a privileged class of shares of stock for the founders of the company. If the whole stock should be realized this privileged proportion would amount to about 30,000,000 francs or $6,000,000.

Unprecedented Immigration.

The total immigration at this port for the year ending yesterday, was 329,060. This aggregate is altogether unprecedented in the history of the board of immigration commissioners, whose statistics go back as far as 1847. In 1872 the total was 13[illegible],070, which was an increase of 59,8[illegible] over the previous year.

Frozen to Death.

BOONVILLE, Mo., Jan. 2—Two old negroes, Lida and Henry Slaughter, mother and son were found frozen to death six miles from here. Henry lying in the road about 1200 yards from his house and his mother sitting by the fireless hearth at home. There was plenty of wood in the yard and a good stock of provisions and clothing in the house. The couple were old and sick, Henry being 60 and his mother over 100, and were nearly helpless.

Murders Near Otis, Indiana.

CHICAGO, Jan 2—A wholesale and cold blooded murder occurred one mile south of Otis, Indiana, last Friday night. James Augustine and family had lived in that place for many years, were possessed of considerable property and generally had a good deal of money in their house. During the afternoon, Henry Augustine, a nephew of James, came from Chicago to make them a visit, and tried vainly to get them to drink from a bottle which proved to have contained poisoned whisky. At about midnight he got up from his bed, sought the bed room of James Augustine, and leveling a revolver began firing. Mrs Augustine was so badly wounded that she died to-day. James Augustine was shot in the breast and will probably die. Henry ran from the room after firing several shots. The sons hearing the firing came down and Christian demanded of Henry in the kitchen what it meant. Henry replied with a bullet which killed Christian instantly. He gave a parting shot at the younger brother, James, which only made a slight flesh wound, and then coolly went to his uncle's room and demanded admission, assuring them that he was all right and wanted to help them. James the son got the revolver from him in the kitchen and locked the door. Henry escaped barefoot and hatless and is not yet captured. Lynching will probably follow his capture.

New Railroad Line in the Southwest.

ST. LOUIS, Jan 2—Nearly a million dollars has been raised in this city to aid in the construction of the St. Louis and Texas narrow gauge railroad, a line which is now being built from Texarkana to Waco, Texas, which it is designed to extend from the former point to Cairo, Ill., there to connect with a narrow gauge road to St. Louis. It is also intended to push the road from Waco to the Rio Grande, to connect with the Palmer-Sullivan system, which is to be constructed to the City of Mexico under concessions lately obtained by General Palmer of the Denver and Rio Grande road from the Mexican government. It is also in contemplation to ultimately build a narrow gauge road from St. Louis or Cairo to New York, and thus have a continuous narrow gauge line to the City of Mexico. A syndicate has been formed in New York to carry out this grand project, and sufficient money to complete the road as said, has already been raised. The line between Waco and Texarkana will be finished in the course of a year as the work of construction will be pushed from both ends.

Fire at North Adams, Mass.

NORTH ADAMS, Jan. 2—The commercial house at corner of Summer and Depot streets was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss $30,000, insurance $15,000. There were about 50 boarders in the house, nearly all of whom suffered losses of clothing, while some who had furnished their rooms lost all their furniture. Domestics sleeping on the fourth floor escaped in their night clothing. The fire was caused by a boarder smoking a pipe in bed.

Fire in N. Y. Central Park.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—The Sun furnishes the following: An old landmark on Mount St. Vincent in the northeast corner of Central Park, which for many years has been used as a hotel and restaurant, was totally destroyed by fire to-day. So fierce were the flames and so quickly did they spread that occupants had barely time to escape with their lives and a small amount of clothing. The premises were extensive. The wooden portion was used as a roadside hotel and restaurant, and being very old burned like tinder. In the rear was an art gallery and museum built of brick. On the south side of the art gallery was a fine hot house and at the north were stables and sheds. Great difficulty was found in obtaining water. The park hydrants were covered with snow and invaluable time was lost in finding them. When found they were frozen up and had to be thawed by steam. The large wooden building was burned down to its foundation stones, not even a charred piece of wood being left standing. The inside of the gallery was completely gutted by the flames and only a portion of the brick walls remained. The hothouse suffered principally by the destruction of glass. The property belonged to Central Park and the loss will reach $60,000, partially insured.

A Hindoo Baby Born in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—Augustin Daly has received an unexpected addition to his little colony of Nautch dancers and jugglers, who arrived a few weeks ago from Hindostan. The addition was made at half past [illegible] on New Year's evening, when a baby was born, who hereafter will call Oorudat, the 12 year old [illegible] of Adboolally, mother, or whatever equivalent the Hindostan may be for that term of relationship and affection. Oorudat is the fairest of the Nautch dancers who are under contract to Mr. Daly. Mr. Daly's family physician, Dr. J. W. Dowling, assisted by Dr. Betts, his colleague, were present at the birth of the baby, which must become historical from the fact that young Adboolally, who weighs four pounds and four ounces, is the first Hindoo child born on American soil. Mother and child are doing well.

Garfield Takes New Year's Dinner.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan 2—Gen. and Mrs Garfield attended a family reunion New Year at Solon in this county, at the residence of Mrs. Mary Larrabee, sister of General Garfield. Sunday was spent at [illegible]

Sickness of Gen. Stuart.

Gen. Charles B. Stuart, an eminent civil engineer, is dangerously ill at the Forest City House in this city. There is little hope of his recovery. His family has arrived, being sent for.

GARFIELD AND HIS PARTY

He will Take no Part in Party Contests or Quarrels and will Protect his Friends.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—The Tribune to-morrow will give prominence to the following editorial: The time seems fit for at least one statement about the approaching administration of President Garfield. It is not to be used as a make weight in pending senatorial contests, whether in New York or elsewhere. We are fully authorized to say this and the statement is entitled to their full significance. It is proper to say further that the incoming administration will see to it that men from New York and other states who had the courage at Chicago to obey the wishes of their districts in balloting for president, and who thus finally voted for Garfield, shall not suffer for it nor lose by it. They will not fail of honorable recognition for their independence, their courage and their resolute pursuit of the policy they believed best for the republican party and for the country. Gentlemen of Albany who are said to have been threatened with a different course at Washington may reassure themselves that the administration of President Garfield is to be an administration for the whole republican party. It will foment no quarrels. It will as earnestly seek the things that make peace, and the best interests of the party it represents. It will not permit its friends to be persecuted for their friendship. Who ever has been persuaded to think this may as well make henceforth a declaration of independence from dictation of any authority but the wishes of constituents and his own convictions of policy and right.

CANADA.

Canadian Sentiment against the Pacific Railroad.

KINGSTON, Ont., Jan. 2—For a week past a reform party has been agitating the dominion against the Pacific railroad. Meetings have been held in nearly all the prominent cities but public sentiment has not been stirred by these meetings and it is thought that the opposition will not develop to any serious extent.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Schooner Probably Lost.

HALIFAX, Dec. 31—The schooner W. H. Brock left Port Midway for Boston December [illegible] and has not since been heard from. She had a crew of [illegible] persons.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

CALIFORNIA.

Died of his Wounds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 2—Edward Scott, foreman of an engine, who was shot Friday night by [illegible], driver of the engine, died to-day. A charge of murder has been brought against Mahan.

NEVADA.

The Nevada Senatorial Contest.

CARSON, Jan 2—The legislature meets to-morrow. [illegible] Fair is trying to [illegible] the republican [illegible] are divided on Whitman, Wood [illegible] is now only [illegible] His attempt [illegible] A. Wheeler [illegible] by northern counties [illegible] of Malone leads the [illegible] a large [illegible] on which Wheeler [illegible] would be a substantial [illegible] great republican factions [illegible] hold the balance of power between [illegible] and prophesy that [illegible] choice of both. They number at present [illegible] senators and assemblymen.

The Panama bank has been founded at Paris with a capital of 14,000,000 francs and a commercial company for food supply has also been organized with a capital of 600,000 francs.

WASHINGTON CITY.

The Scheme to Retire Grant.

WASHINGTON, Jan [illegible]—The [illegible] will at the last few days [illegible] after all [illegible] favorable [illegible] Speaker Randall expresses himself [illegible] in its favor [illegible] members including [illegible] Stephens [illegible] Johnston [illegible] themselves [illegible] is telling [illegible] it will in no way interfere with the rank of Gen Sherman but he and his friends are also satisfied [illegible]

Blaine's Cabinet Chances.

CHICAGO, Dec 31—A Journal's Washington special says The story that Senator Blaine is to enter Garfield's cabinet is again renewed and this time in a more positive manner. Even some of the senator's friends have been interchanging opinions and the conclusion reached is that his presidential prospects would be improved by his going from the senate into the cabinet. Wm E. Chandler expresses the opinion that Blaine will be a member of the next administration as secretary of state. Inquiry is made by some of his closest friends as to how Mr Conkling would like this appointment.

Congressman Whiteaker's Health.

Congressman Whiteaker of Oregon has been confined to his room for a week past by the effect of a severe cold but is now convalescing.

The Vacant Cabinet Position.

The discovery that Secretary Ramsey's appointment as temporary secretary of the navy for an additional ten days time is illegal has given rise to a rumor that each of the other cabinet officers will similarly in turn be designated to fill the position; but it is not clear that this would be admissible under the law and present indications point to the appointment of some one to serve during the remainder of President Hayes' term with an understanding that he will be reappointed by Garfield. It is learned that some correspondence on this subject has recently passed between Hayes and Garfield, but it is not known upon whom the choice will fall. Meanwhile the names most prominently mentioned by current gossip are those of ex Senator Sargent of California, and Gen. Wickham of Virginia.

THE NEW YORK SENATORIAL FIGHT

Anti-Conkling Forces on Hand—Vice President Wheeler Strongly Backed.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan 2—A majority of the legislature is now in the city, and the hotels are quite lively with canvassing for the speakership. It is conceded that Sharp will receive the nomination of the caucus to-night, though Skinner will receive quite a flattering vote. In the canvass the U. S. senatorship crops out quite frequently. The anti Conkling section, though they would like to elect Skinner speaker and feel that they cannot do it, are positive that they will elect an anti Conkling candidate for U. S. senator. They say that they have the votes of assemblymen enough pledged to secure this result in joint ballot when the votes of anti Conkling senators will be cast.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Garfield Making Friends Abroad.

LONDON, Jan 1—A dispatch from Berlin says that Gen. Garfield has written to the editor of the German Review expressing joy at the cordial relations which exist between Germany and the United States. There seems to be no real basis for the rumor that Carl Schurz will be designated by General Garfield to supersede Mr White here.

Fight between Turkomans and Russians.

LONDON, Jan 1—A dispatch from Dergues reports that a courier from Askabad has brought news of severe fighting between Russians and Turkomans near Geok Tepe. The losses were heavy on both sides. The Russians withdrew a short distance.

Serdesht Fired.

A Teheran correspondent says that Hamza Agha has plundered and set fire to Serdesht.

A Small British Success in South Africa.

LONDON, Jan 1—The premier of the cape government telegraphs on the 31st ult. that the colonials have gained a signal success over the Tambookies, 50 rebels being killed, and 800 cattle and 5000 sheep captured.

English Afghan Policy.

The Pall Mall Gazette says that the decision of the government to retire from Candahar is emphasized by news of the stoppage of construction of a railway thither a few miles beyond Sibi. The step is considered an indication that the government will not abandon Candahar but to Pishin valley.

Steamer Lost—All Hands Perish.

DUNDEE, Dec 31—The British steamer Garnet was wrecked in the North sea during a gale on the 12th inst. All hands, numbering seventeen, perished.

The Turkish Finance Minister.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec 31—Tewfik Pasha, who bought arms for Turkey in the United States, is the new minister of finance.

Another Steamer Supposed Lost.

LONDON, Dec 31—It is supposed that the British steamer Montgomeryshire is lost off the Portuguese coast with a crew of thirty men.

Secretaryship Accepted.

LONDON, Dec 31—Leonard H. Courtney, member of Parliament from Liskeard, has definitely accepted the under secretaryship of the home department made vacant by the retirement of Arthur Mellaly Peel.

Floods in Holland.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 31—Dykes between Nieuwkuik and Veymer, in the province of North Brabant, are broken and 18 villages are flooded. Damage by inundations is immense. A committee for the relief of sufferers has been formed.

A Strike Imminent.

At a meeting of Bolton cotton masters last night it was unanimously decided to reject any demand of operatives for advance of wages, as many of the masters are working at a positive loss. Operatives give notice for an advance to-day.

Floods in England.

LONDON, Dec 31—The most disastrous floods are reported in Derbyshire. Several hundred hands are thrown out of employment at Derby by the flooding of the cotton mills.

An Old Lady Burned to Death.

PARIS, Ills., Dec 31—Mrs Sarah Young, one of the oldest residents of this city, met a fearful death yesterday morning, her clothing taking fire from the stove. Before help could reach her the lower part of her body was burned to a cinder. She was 87 years old.

Going to Work on the Canal.

PARIS, Dec 31—The first detachment of engineers and workmen will start January 6th to prepare for commencement of the Panama canal.

Anti-Jewish Meeting.

BERLIN, Dec 31—A great anti Jewish meeting was held yesterday. Several members of parliament were present, and the hall was so overcrowded that the police were obliged to close the doors, thousands of people remaining outside.

Loss of Cattle by Flood.

THE HAGUE, Dec 31—A very great number of cattle and sheep have been lost by the breaking of dykes between Nieuwkuik and Vlymen.

Russia and China.

ST PETERSBURG, Dec 31—The Agence Russe announces the conclusion of negotiations between a Chinese ambassador and the Russian government, and adds that the ambassador will remain at St. Petersburg pending the decision of China upon Russian proposals.

Demand for More Wages at Oldham.

DUBLIN, Dec 31—The executive council of the operative cotton spinners association has instructed operatives of Bolton and Oldham to persist in their demand for a rise of wages.

Saving Appearances.

DUBLIN, Dec 31—There are about twenty land meetings to be held Sunday. It is arranged that none of the traversers shall participate, or does Parnell go to London for the opening of parliament.

The Irish Local Soldiers.

The Globe states Irish militia regiments will not be called out for drill and training for 1881.

League Meeting Near Killarney.

DUBLIN, Jan 2—A land league meeting was held to-day near Killarney at which 6000 persons were present.

Another Irish Outrage.

CORK, Jan [illegible]—A party of men has visited the house of a man named Daniels and shot him, inflicting dangerous wounds.

Land Meetings Prevented.

DUBLIN, Jan 2—A meeting, which was to have been held at Clondalkin to-day, was prohibited because the authorities had reason to [illegible] been summoned for the purpose of interfering with the due administration of law and the impartial trial of the traversers. A troop of dragoons, a company of infantry and a large force of police surrounded the platform to prevent a meeting at [illegible]. Although a large number of people were present, no attempt was made to hold a meeting.

A Meeting Peaceably Dispersed—Other Meetings.

LONDON, Jan 2—A dispatch from Dublin states that in order not to come in contact with the police a meeting, which was called to take place [illegible] and which was prohibited, was held [illegible] Saturday. After Healy and Davitt had made speeches [illegible]

Greek Affairs.

ATHENS, Dec 31—The [illegible]

Arming the Greeks.

[illegible]

The Dutch to Unite with the Boers.

A Durban [illegible] troops are sent from England [illegible] the Dutch [illegible] cause with the Boer.

Arrest of Albanian Leaguers.

A dispatch from Berlin says that Dervish Pasha has arrested four [illegible] chiefs of the Albanian league who will be sent to Constantinople.

THE SPRAGUE SCANDAL

Promises of an Extraordinary Divorce Suit—The Wife's Sweeping Charges—Local Facts in the Case—Sprague to Unite with John Kelly in an Attack on Conkling.

[illegible] Kate Chase Sprague [illegible] public reports [illegible] Mr Sprague [illegible] part [illegible] half [illegible] time [illegible] Mr Sprague in the light of a cruel, disreputable, unfaithful and brutal man. She alleges against him at various times during the past fifteen years names and places, almost constant intoxication, personal assaults and threats to kill, a refusal to provide her with the necessaries of life and to bring up the children in a proper manner, interception of her letters and in general a course of dissipated, disgusting and brutal conduct running over a period of nearly twenty years, which if it be true it is at least remarkable she should have remained quiet so long. On the other hand Gov Sprague, though he has not filed an answer, declares in interviews that she has ruined him by her extravagant mode of life, reechoes against her similar charges to those made against him, alleging infidelity on her part with Senator Conkling—and asserts that he will fight the case inch by inch.

A GREAT MINE OF SCANDAL.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec 25—The Sprague divorce case which is expected to come to trial in about a month furnishes an endless amount of gossip for people in all parts of the country and especially in the locality where all the parties are known. It is asserted that a very extensive mine of scandal which exceeds anything yet heard of in relation to the matter will be laid bare to the public gaze when the case comes to trial.

JOHN KELLY IN THE AFFAIR.

CHICAGO, Dec 2[illegible]—The Tribune's Washington special says If the reports which have reached here to-day are correct, the Sprague divorce suit is to be accompanied by even more sensational developments than have already been predicted. Sprague, it is reported, has secured some newspaper support and will endeavor to turn the batteries upon his opponents, while John Kelly is reported to have served a notice on Conkling that he intends to pursue him to the bitter end. It is said that Sprague, through the Kelly organ, will charge Senator Conkling with the ruin of his family and that the divorce proceedings were instigated by Conkling. It is also reported that the fact will be brought out that at one time Sprague challenged Conkling to a duel and that arrangements had been made for the affair.

SUBSTANCE OF MRS. SPRAGUE'S PETITION FOR DIVORCE.

Mrs Sprague's petition for divorce filed through her counsel, Winchester Britton, stripped of legal verbiage is as follows. She declares that she is an inhabitant of the state of Rhode Island and that she married Sprague November 12, 1863 at Washington, and has ever since kept and performed on her part all the obligations of the marriage covenant. But she alleges that her husband has violated the marriage compact etc. etc. and sets up particulars and gives names. She also asserts that he has been guilty of extreme cruelty to her, that he has forcibly laid hands on her and threatened to kill her, and that he has been guilty of continued intoxication. Since the early part of 1879 he has neglected and refused, being of sufficient ability to do so, to provide the necessaries of life for the subsistence of herself and children.

The petitioner then refers at length to the failure of the house of A. & W. Sprague in 1873. After the conveyance of property to the trustees for the benefit of the creditors he claimed to have a surplus of over $6,000,000. After the execution of the trust deed he entered into the employ of the trustee and received from him a considerable compensation for services so rendered up to the year 1879, a part of which was applied and paid by the trustee for the support of the petitioner and her family. Since that time, however, he has lived in voluntary idleness and has neglected and refused to contribute in any way to the support of his family and by his action she has been deprived of the moderate compensation received through the trustee for her support. She further alleges that he has been guilty of other gross misbehavior and wickedness repugnant to and in violation of the marriage covenant, viz. by repeatedly applying the vilest epithets to the petitioner both alone and in the presence of others. He has broken up and destroyed furniture, and at one time collected bedding and furniture in the night time and set fire to them. He has often said to his children that he was not their father and that they were not his children; that he has repeatedly falsely accused her of gross improprieties with other men, "sometimes one man, sometimes another." He has intercepted and returned letters addressed to her. From 1865 to 1875, the petitioner claims, he frequently insulted the female domestics and guests in the family, causing them to leave the house; that prior to February 1879 by his violations of decency he had made Canonchet an unsuitable abode for her and her children.

Many other particulars of violent and indecent conduct on his part are alleged, and in view of all these allegations the petitioner prays that she may be divorced and that the custody of her children, William Sprague Jr., aged 17, Ethel Sprague, aged 11, Katherine Sprague, aged 9, and Portia Sprague, aged 7, may be awarded to her and that she may be allowed a reasonable alimony out of the estate of her husband. She further prays that she may resume her maiden name, Katherine Chase.

VARIOUS RUMORS AND PARTICULARS.

According to the story told by ex Gov Sprague's friends it appears that Mrs Sprague drove her son from her Washington home at the request of Senator Conkling about two years ago. Conkling urged that Willie, too, resembled his father, and was cursed with a spirit of inquisitiveness, and prevailed upon Mrs Sprague to send him away. She in her blind and helpless infatuation complied, giving the boy $10 and turning him out of doors, telling him to make his own way in the world. The plucky little fellow as he is went down to the Holmes House, near the depot, and secured board at seven dollars a week, paying one week's board in advance. The house was frequented by laboring men and Willie there learned to chew tobacco. His identity became known at the close of the week, and he was rescued by friends. Since then his lot has been cast with his father. The first woman implicated in Mrs Sprague's bill of divorce is Mary Eliza Anderson, nee Viall. She is now confined in Butler's asylum for the insane and cannot refute the charges in person. Her history as gathered link by link has been an eventful one. She is as highly connected as any woman in New England and was wont to move in the best social circles. Her sister is the wife of Rev Dr Harris of the Congregational church of Providence, who is looked upon as a leading divine in the state. Miss Viall always worshiped Mr Sprague and her infatuation was the subject matter of conversation for all the gossips, and she was [illegible] for loving a man who never [illegible] for her. Her mind became deranged and she went to Paris. There she established herself as a leading demi monde and [illegible] her admirers by the score. Something like seven years ago she returned to her home and married a man by the name of Anderson, a sea captain. With him she remained presumably a true wife until her incarceration in the asylum. Harriet Brown, whose present whereabouts are unknown, was for a considerable time an amanuensis of Loyal Thurston, Chaffee's attorney. Maggie English is thought to be dead. She was at the time a nurse girl in the family of Mr Sprague, about twelve years ago. Fannie Adams was said to be an inmate of one of the temples of shame in Providence presided over by Ann McHal[illegible]. The latter woman says that Governor Sprague was too high toned to ever step within her doors. Minnie Wilson has either gone to St Louis or is dead; at all events her present whereabouts cannot be ascertained. She was also a light woman in Providence. The woman most affected by the charges in Mrs Sprague's bill is Mrs McCue, a married woman of Wakefield, R. I., who is well connected in New York. She was [illegible] years [illegible] her marriage a housekeeper in the Sprague family and is [illegible] have been Mrs Sprague's confidential [illegible]

A Tribune Washington special says The Sprague [illegible] the intimates to be the sensation of the day [illegible] new and interesting [illegible] daily arising [illegible] however being the Mrs McCue letter [illegible] Mrs Sprague in which the implicated woman [illegible] on Mrs Sprague to deny the allegations in her petition for divorce or she will make things lively for her.

Gath, writing to the Cincinnati Enquirer on the Sprague scandal, gives the following interesting bits of reminiscence [illegible]

THE NICARAGUA CANAL

Grant's Active Interest in the Scheme—Work in Progress.

NEW YORK, Dec 28—A World's Washington special says Gen Grant's [illegible] an article [illegible] North American Review [illegible] understood that the publication [illegible] practical [illegible] view of the prevailing interest in the object [illegible] and in Europe. Of course no synopsis of Gen Grant's paper can be given to the public until the publication, which it is expected will be as early as January 14th. In all probability however the article will be mainly devoted to discussing the advantages that would accrue to the United States from the construction of a canal under American auspices and subject to American control. General Grant is a hearty believer in the policy of building such a canal. His attitude towards the De Lesseps scheme for a canal at Panama under foreign control was [illegible] at the time the presidency of that enterprise was offered to him. He is said by one of his intimate friends to have declined the offer with the remark that he would not lend his name and countenance to a project in which he believed every dollar invested would be sunk. Besides he is known to be heartily in favor of the Nicaragua enterprise, and it is quite probable that if the bill introduced in the house by [illegible] Morton to incorporate the Nicaragua Interoceanic Canal Company becomes a law General Grant will be chosen president of the company and will accept the position.

AN INSIGHT ON DE LESSEPS' SCHEME.

Captain S. L. Phelps of Washington is one of the incorporators named in Morton's bill and is also chairman of the executive committee of the Provisional Interoceanic Canal society. Captain Phelps spent last summer in Europe in the interests of the proposed Nicaraguan canal and while there he made as careful an examination as was practicable into the condition and prospects of the Panama scheme. Captain Phelps said he found that a ring largely composed of adherents of the late Louis Napoleon was most active in pushing the scheme. De Lesseps himself is a relative of ex Empress Eugenie. Lieut Wise is related to the family of the late emperor. Ex-Queen Isabella of Spain, although without means of her own, is ardently interested in the project. A great many of the others most actively engaged in pushing the scheme are of the same stripe. These people are all animated by the same hope, that by the means offered by the control of the Panama canal French, or as they term them Latin ideas, will eventually dominate in Central America, and form a barrier against the advance of Anglo Saxon nations in that direction. Of course they also expect to levy tribute upon every ton of our coastwise commerce that passes through the canal, but they also look forward to the time when the government of Central America shall become a mere puppet in their hands. I think our people ought to be aroused on this subject and be taught to understand that the motives which govern De Lesseps and his principal allies and supporters in Europe spring from the hope that not only commercial but political control over a large part of the American continent will thus be secured by the Latin nations of Europe.

PUSHING WORK IN CONGRESS.

General King, chairman of the house special interoceanic canal committee, expects immediately after the recess to report a bill of incorporation of the Nicaragua canal company and intends at that time to call up the Monroe doctrine resolution, reported from his committee last session, and ask that an evening be set apart for consideration of the two matters. In this way he may avoid antagonizing the funding and appropriation bills and the electoral count resolution, and since the feeling in the house is friendly to his committee he hopes it may have an opportunity of relieving itself of the work it has appointed to undertake.

THE ERUPTION OF MAUNA LOA.

Continued Activity of the Volcano—Contrast of Snow on a Neighboring Mountain.

[Correspondence Hawaiian Press.]

November 26th.—This evening the flow was more brilliant than for some time past and there was more reflection in the sky. The flow is extending towards Mauna Kea.

November 27th.—The flow this A. M. 5 o'clock, is about the same as last night but we could see more plainly where it proceeds from. The lava seems to be quite high and several cones have made their appearance; one is quite large and is flat on top and looks like a house. The party of six who went to see the flow have returned and report it so hot that they could not get near enough to see it well. This morning there was much snow on Mauna Kea. It was an odd sight, on one mountain snow and on another opposite a fountain of fire.

November 28th.—The flow at 7 P. M. is not as bright as it was, except at the end, where it is brighter than we have seen it for some time. It seems to be running quite rapidly. Can see no flow towards Kau. The place where the flow proceeds from looks longer than usual, as it also does at the end.

November 29-30.—The flow was very long and bright last night. A gentleman who returned to-day reports that Kilauea is active. The south lake is overflowing, and a new lake has just commenced to flow near the south lake. All the lakes are getting more active than usual. We can see a large reflection from Kilauea quite often from here.

December 1st.—Parties who have been to see the flow returned and report that there are three streams. We can see them from here. They say that the three are very near together at about 100 feet wide and will soon join.

Their proximity makes them appear as one to us. The largest flow is not over twelve miles long and is about thirty miles from Hilo. The three flows are coming towards Hilo. It broke out in about the same place as in 5[illegible]. It commenced on Friday evening, Nov 5th, and by Saturday it had run about eighteen miles. The crater can be reached in about three days from here. We are assured that we need feel no alarm as the flow could not reach us in at least three months the way it is running at present. The lava is of a very peculiar color and the parties who returned [illegible] before.

December 2[illegible] the flow as well as usual last night [illegible]

The Evil of Magazines.

[From the London Standard.]

If our monthly magazines do not do more to contribute to the real instruction of the public, to the extent that might be reasonably expected from them, they must in a greater or less degree be credited with preventing the publication and probably the composition of works of solid industry, exhaustive study and permanent utility. [illegible]

Combination Theatricals.

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THE LATE IRVING BALLARD

A Sketch of his Life—Proper Tribute to a Worthy Man.

From the Seattle Intelligencer Dec. 31.

At his residence in Seattle at 1:[illegible] o'clock Thursday morning, December 30, 1880, from an attack of typhoid malarial fever, Irving Ballard passed quietly and peacefully into the world beyond. He was born in Rutland county, Ohio, July 26, 1847, where he lived for eight years. His parents then moved to New Jersey and the young Irving went to school two years at a school founded by his uncle Wm Rankin. At the age of 12 he came out to Oregon with his parents, who settled in Douglas county, where he again attended a country school. When eighteen years old he got an outfit and went with hundreds of others to the Idaho mines during the gold excitement of 1862. He had the usual miner's experience and never tired of relating the hair breadth escapes of himself and companions as well as the many happy little episodes incident to frontier and mining camp life. His father's family located on a farm in King county in 1865. In 1866 Irving came to Seattle, and, working for his board, attended the territorial university then taught by Prof Barnard. The next year he went to Forest Grove to finish his education. He earned his own living, paid for his schooling out of his earnings and read law at the same time. In the fall of 1869 he graduated from Forest Grove and in the spring of 1870 married a schoolmate, Miss Lucinda Mauzey. Having prosecuted the study of law diligently he applied and was admitted to the bar at Vancouver soon after leaving school. With his wife he located in Steilacoom and commenced the practice of law in 1870. Being naturally a public spirited man he at once entered into public affairs and soon became not only the leader of his party but the leader of his profession in Pierce county. He belonged to the Masonic order, and was a prominent member of Steilacoom Lodge No. 2. He also belonged to Harmony Lodge, [illegible] of this city. In 1876 he removed to Seattle and purchased the home now occupied by his family on Third street and opened a law office here. He was the attorney of the Star line of steamers for a long time and finally became interested in the Zephyr, which steamer he afterwards got control of and owned at the time of his death. In the fall of 1878 he was nominated for prosecuting attorney of the third judicial district and was elected by a very large majority. He discharged the duties of the office in a fair, upright and faithful manner and in 1880 was renominated for the same office by the republican convention at Vancouver by acclamation, and was re-elected by an overwhelming majority. He qualified but did not live to enter upon the discharge of the duties of his second term.

As a friend Mr. Ballard was, in the highest and best sense of the word, loyal. His attachments were not hastily formed, were based on strong grounds and not easily shaken. Much of his influence over men was due to the fact that he was true to his friends.

Many of his warm and most intimate friends were opposed to him in politics but he never allowed this difference of opinion to affect his friendship. Each day he grew stronger in the affections of the people of the territory and, had his life been spared, he would undoubtedly have risen to high rank among his fellow men. In his last sickness he was a great sufferer, but he bore his afflictions with patience and resignation, and when worn out by disease, with a heart free from malice, he closed his career in the arms of death, loved, honored and respected by the people of his district and the entire territory, whom he had served faithfully and well.

The funeral services and burial will take place from the Congregational church on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. J. F. Ellis officiating. The Masonic lodges of this city will join and conduct the burial ceremonies.

A meeting of the Seattle bar was held on the evening of the 30th, at which appropriate resolutions relating to the deceased were adopted, including a resolution that the members of the bar attend the funeral in a body. The secretary of the meeting was instructed to extend through the press an invitation to all members of the bar in the third judicial district to attend the funeral.

Democratic Party Government in New York.

[From the New York Herald Ind.]

We recently called attention to the extravagant cost of administering the municipal affairs of the city of New York by the democratic party. More than twenty-eight millions of dollars are wrung from the taxpayers of this city annually to defray expenses and yet the municipal debt continues to increase. It is not surprising therefore that an investigation should be set in motion. The council of reform, as it is called, consisting of a committee of the state senate, has been at work to ascertain why the cost of administering justice should have increased for each judge from $9479 in 1860 to $24,867 in 1880. They want to know why the maintenance of those who come under the care of the department of charities and correction should cost $128 per year in '80 and but $51.19 in '60. They ask why it is that salaries in the police department have risen from $812 in 1860 to $1,278 in 1880. The cost of governing the city per capita has increased from $11.97 in 1860 to $24 in 1880, and the rate of taxation has advanced 50 per cent. in that time, though the taxable property has increased 100 per cent. These are very solemn facts for the taxpayers of New York city to consider. They practically mean confiscation of property unless something is done to arrest extravagance of expenditure. The first thing to be done manifestly is to cut down extravagant salaries and reduce the number of employes in the service of the city, scores of whom do really nothing but draw their pay punctually. There will be tremendous opposition to such a reform and powerful influences will be brought to bear on the legislature to arrest the investigation and leave the affairs of the metropolis unchanged. Yet there is no hope that the city debt will diminish or the burdens of the taxpayers be lightened unless the legislature interferes and makes a radical reform in the municipal policy.

A Word to Popular Ministers.

[Dr John Hall in New York Observer.]

A ministry that pleases every body, especially in the Presbyterian Church, has well to suspect itself. Look at the doctrine we preach—human depravity, our Lord's true deity, the atonement on the cross, the personality and work of the Holy Ghost, the need by every man—the most amiable and cultivated—of being regenerated, the Bible the sole rule of faith, self-denial a part of true Christian living, retribution on the impenitent concurrent with eternal immortality, the obligation of the Sabbath, and all this with a worship conspicuously plain and free from show and meretricious decoration. Make all this palatable to "society, the world, everybody!" No, this whole message tramples on the pride of human intellect, it belittles the boasted culture of the time, and it is, if understood, in direct opposition to the life which we are being persuaded to imitate and servilely copy from Paris. Then what am I to do? some may say. Go on and preach those truths, only more clearly, firmly and tenderly. But what if the people leave me? Yes, some will leave you and go to churches they like better, as giving various reasons for the same. That is their matter. Yours is preaching for the saving of men, not for the keeping of them in the pews.

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Epigrams from Lord Beaconsfield's Latest Novel.

"A little knowledge of the world is a very [illegible] thing, especially in literature."

"Foreigners rarely know more than one English minister at a time, but they compensate for their ignorance of the aggregate body by over exaggerating the qualities of the individual with whom they are acquainted."

"The only use of [illegible] an opposition is that we may enjoy ourselves."

"All things change, and quoting Virgil will be the next thing to disappear. In the last parliament we often had Latin quotations, but never from a member with a new constituency. I have heard Greek quoted here, but that was long ago and a great mistake—the House was quite alarmed."

"London is deficient in dining capability."

"When a nation is thoroughly perplexed and disquieted they cease to make distinctions between political parties. The country is out of sorts and the government is held answerable for the disorder."

"Sensible men are all of the same religion." "And what is that?" "Sensible men never tell."

"Great men should think of Opportunity, and not of Time. Time is the excuse of feeble and puzzled spirits."

"Every political party changes its principles on an average once in ten years."

"A species of rhapsodical rhetoric highly useful in troubled times when there is no real business to transact, and where there is nobody to transact it."

"Dynasties are unpopular, especially new ones. The present age is monarchical but not dynastic."

"You must show that democracy is aristocracy in disguise and that aristocracy is democracy in disguise. It will carry you through everything. That is the charm of a principle—you have always an answer ready."

"All lawyers are loose in their youth, but an insular country subject to fogs and with a powerful middle class, requires grave statesmen."

"My return," said Prince Florestan, "was the natural development of the irresistible principle of historical necessity."

"What is colonial necessarily lacks originality. A country that borrows its language, its laws and its religion cannot have its inventive powers much developed."

"That hecatomb they call a wedding breakfast, which celebrates the triumph of a rival."

"Everything in this world depends upon will." "I think everything in this world depends upon woman." "It is the same thing."

"It is since the depths of religious thought have been probed and the influence of women in the spread and sustenance of religious feeling has again been recognized, that fascinating and fashionable prelates have become favored guests in the refined saloons of the mighty, and while apparently indulging in the vanities of the hour have re-established the influence which in old days guided a Matilda or the mother of Constantine."

"You may tell him, Berengaria, that he can come and dine here whenever he likes in boots. It is a settled thing that M. P.s may dine in boots."

"The salvation of Europe is an affair of the past generation; the salvation of England should be the subject rather of our present thoughts."

"That increasing feeling of error and despair which was deemed necessary to the advancement of conservative opinions."

"One should never think of death. Think of life—that is real piety."

"Turtle makes all men equal."

"Now I dare say that ambassador has been blundering all his life, and yet there is something in that star and ribbon. I do not know how you feel, but I could almost go down on my knees to him. And there is a cabinet minister, well we know what he is. I have been squibbing him for these two years, and now that I meet him I feel like a snob. I believe them to be all impostors, but still it is pleasant to talk to a man with a star."

"A public man is responsible, and a responsible man is a slave. It is private life that governs the world. The world talks much of powerful sovereigns and great ministers, and if being talked about made one powerful, they would be irresistible. But the fact is, the more you are talked about the less powerful you are."

Lincoln's Influence on Washington and the Nation.

[Gath in Cincinnati Enquirer.]

Lincoln came here to be inaugurated at a time when the west showed her full hand. He was so ultra western that there is hardly a man of his type left, the intervening railroad civilization having changed the whole west. The office hungry people who incontinently followed him east, though the war was right in sight, found here a city still with slavery, a slave-pen, a chain gang, a capitol building without finish anywhere, hardly one of the department buildings finished, not a street-railroad, hardly a street paved, next to everybody disloyal, and a desperate force of clerks, uncertain whether to go south or fight the new government. The population was perhaps 40,000. One railroad track, single rail, connected this advance post of government with the nearest unrebellious people 100 miles behind them. Real estate in Washington, nearly worthless before, was at that time quite worthless.

Lincoln planted himself in the solitary White House, was persecuted by an army of politicians from the rear, and Virginia all in an earthquake across the river. He survived everything but the vanity of an actor, and left here a city already recreated, which has since become a problem disposed of by being finished off by the Garfield and Hayes have had to suffer no attacks on account of what had to be done and had to be attacked. Here at least is a homestead for the nation, and Garfield looks out from it on prospects more comfortable than any president has had since Frank Pierce.

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THE NORTHWEST.

Western Oregon.

There were 75 marriages recorded in Lane county during 1880.

The river at Salem was 19 feet above low water mark on the 1st inst. and was still rising.

The highest tide that has visited Astoria for years occurred last Friday, the 31st of December.

James Smith has been bound over in the sum of $600 for robbing a Chinese hut near Perrydale recently.

The ladies of Salem very generally received their friends on New Year's day, adopting the very convenient and pleasant method of receiving jointly from four to six at one residence.

Burglars attempted to enter the houses of W. F. Boothby and Geo. W. Lawson of Salem one night last week, but were so clumsy in their movements as to awaken the inmates, who compelled their hasty retreat.

Freddie, son of George Williams, of Salem, nine years old, fell down stairs a few days ago and striking square in his face, knocked out or loosened all of his front teeth, and otherwise injured himself severely.

Mr Minnaker of Knappa killed a swan recently which measured eight feet from tip to tip of wings. It weighed probably not less than thirty pounds. He has killed hundreds of swan but this was the largest one of them all in his experience.

A man named Thomas is building a first class sash sawmill near Kilches on Tillamook bay. He will have it completed in about three or four weeks. He is a good mechanic himself and has two good carpenters as helpers, besides numerous laborers, who are cutting timber, ditching etc.

Washington Territory.

Frank Guttenberg, a resident of Puget sound since 18[illegible]6, died in Seattle on the 30th ult., aged 64 years.

The railroad company has built a fine station house at Renton. B. H. Snow has been appointed station master.

A. W. Piper of Seattle has housed 35 tons of snow which he will use in his ice cream business next summer.

The two lodges of Masons are to have a grand installation supper in Seattle the night of January 5th, 1881.

A huge meteor was observed to descend upon the Chuckanut mountain near Samish a few days ago, which illuminated the heavens and made the earth plainly resound to its striking.

Captain W. R. Ballard of the steamer Zephyr laid his boat up last week in order that he might spend his entire time at the bedside of his dying brother, Hon. Irving Ballard, of Seattle.

Jasper Hartman, living in the Nesqually bottom, was seriously wounded in the thigh by a bullet from his own rifle a few days ago. He threw a deer he was carrying from off his shoulder, and in some way caused the discharge of the gun.

The telegraph line and cable from La Conner to Victoria, via San Juan, is to be abandoned, communication being hereafter maintained over the [illegible] line from La Conner to New Westminster, [illegible] to Burrard Inlet, Nanaimo and Victoria.

Intelligencer: A school of blackfish were [illegible] about the bay in front of Seattle Friday. [illegible] looked to be a million, and many of them were quite large. It was a grand sight to many of our people who never saw so large a school of fish before.

Transcript: During the past month this place has been visited by six or eight tramps. Some were hideous to look upon, and were soon picked out and notified that Olympia had a vagrant ordinance, that our people were industrious and self-supporting, and that no bummers need apply. Some would take the "hint," disappearing as mysteriously as they came, while others were defiant, and but for the marshal giving notice that 30 minutes' time would be given them to leave, they would have been troublesome.

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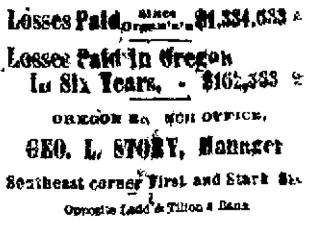

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MONDAY MORNING, JAN 3 1881

VIRTUAL WASTE OF MONEY

In the estimate of the chief of engineers for river improvements there is an item of $300,000 for the locks at the Cascades of the Columbia. We have this elephant on our hands and suppose we must keep feeding it though the operation is a simple waste of provender. The worst of it is that the lately necessary improvements are wanted to support this almost useless one. It is useless first because after the government has spent its millions there the river will be opened only a short distance further and second because the railroad the upper river being still being obstructed will supersede this improvement. This undertaking was started as a job by one politician to help his own advancement and taken up and pushed by another for a like personal object. The result is that the state will get a costly improvement of no real value to it and will be thereby defrauded of other improvements actually necessary to its growing commerce. So long as large appropriations are called for to carry on work at the Cascade locks it will be difficult or indeed impossible, to get adequate appropriations for other parts of the river where work is really needed. Of course the chief of engineers is not to blame. Since the work has been undertaken and is in hand he only presents estimates of what is required each year to push it forward with advantage. The fault is in our system of undertaking these things for behoof of politicians, instead of proceeding in these with a studious regard for public interests. When will the requirements of our commercial situation be consulted in such matters and the schemes of politicians who manage these things for their own advantage be shoved into the background? Pretty certainly not until the people learn to send men to represent them at Washington who are above sacrificing the public interests to temporary expedients for their own advancement. It is apparent to every person and has been from the first that even when the Cascade locks are completed the result will be of but extremely small advantage to the country, since navigation to those points most desirable to reach will still be hopelessly obstructed. Completion of the locks at the Cascades will establish no real competition with the railroads, and it is therefore to be regretted that so great sums are being expended where they can do little good, particularly when it is observed that they are needed so greatly on the lower river and bar.

MORE HISTORY RECONSTRUCTED.

Unless the whole fraternity of historians is promptly suppressed history itself will be dry enough to repel all investigators but statisticians and goats. This is the sage conclusion reached by the New York Herald from contemplation of the results of the steady work performed by the race of iconoclasts. The character of Pocahontas has been smirched with ink. George Washington's little hatchet is pronounced a myth. "The Skeleton in Armor" found under the stone tower at Newport, is said by some sceptics to be as untrue to sample as the great stone giant, and now the late lamented Captain Cook is having his laurels torn off at a rate that, could he know what is going on, would make the great explorer wish he never had lived at all. As a man who circumnavigated the globe before the days of steam, and while ship supplies could not be purchased in assortment at every out of the way port in the world, the captain has a certain reputation but his name is most effectively kept alive through successive generations of young students by the story that he was killed and eaten by the Sandwich Islanders. But now comes a historian of Honolulu and declared that the captain was not eaten at all. It is admitted, probably grudgingly, that he was killed and dissected, according to native custom and his heart was hung on a tree to dry; from thence it was stolen and eaten by a hungry native who mistook it—shades of the mighty, arise and avenge the insult!—mistook it for the heart of a pig! Not content with thus demolishing one of the most conspicuous landmarks of modern history as comprehended by the young, the historian goes on in a cold-blooded way and even denies that the islanders were cannibals at all. In the face of such heart-sickening iconoclasm the public can do little more than wring its hands hopelessly and determine to keep its eyes shut in the future and embrace its few remaining darlings more tightly.

IN TENNESSEE.

It is still regarded as possible that the republicans may elect a senator in Tennessee. Out of one hundred members constituting both branches of the legislature, they have forty-seven certainly, and there is a hopeful contest which may give them one more. The democrats are split into two bitterly hostile factions, one of which musters twenty-five and the other twenty-six members. There is one greenbacker, and one seat is contested. The "regular" democrats and the "low tax" democrats are so fiercely at war with each other that the chances of a combination among them are considered quite slim. A correspondent of the Louisville Courier-Journal, who reviews the whole situation at length, regards such combination as one of the most improbable of things. He asks "Can the two democratic factions unite? If they fail to do this the election of a republican will be the inevitable result. Will they do this? The logical answer is, No. Nothing but consummate political skill can unite them." It is added that the interests they represent are widely different, and that the breach is daily widening. Finally, the writer says "Considered from an impartial standpoint, the democrats have little hope of success in the coming contest." He regards it as possible or even probable, that the legislature will fail to elect. This would leave one of Tennessee's seats vacant.

RUSHING BUSINESS

Probably the best gauge of the industrial and commercial activity of the country is the business of the railroads. From the following facts condensed from reports, so far as published, the reader may gain an idea of what the railroads have been doing. In eleven months of 1880 the New York Central railroad earned $30,759,009, or $7,125,000 more than for the same period of the preceding year. The Chicago and Northwestern road earned $17,898,810 an increase of $3,125,000, the Milwaukee and St. Paul earned $11,683,81 an increase of $2,836,948 and the Central and Southern Pacific roads earned $18,382,195 an increase of $2,764,904. The Louisville and Nashville systems report a gain of $3,175,661 during the eleven months, and during the same period the gain of the Northern Pacific was over $300,000. Thirty two roads earned during the eleven months $178,000,000, a gain over the corresponding months of the next preceding year of more than $32,000,000. The foregoing serves to show what tremendous channels the business of the country is flowing in. Moreover up to December 10 1880, 5624 miles of new road had been built within the year. During the present year a still greater aggregate mileage will be completed and put into operation.

From several quarters come the usual proposals for a change in the method of electing the president of the United States. Most of those who urge it favor such change as would leave the matter to a direct vote of the people. But we agree with the American (the new weekly journal recently founded at Philadelphia on a plan similar to that of the Nation of New York) that it will not do to refer the matter to the direct vote of the people until we have much better security for the honesty of the count in every state. At present the unfairness of the counting in certain states inflicts a certain amount of wrong and injury upon the whole country but there is a limit to the amount. It can go no farther than [illegible] the electoral vote of that single state. It may be altogether powerless to affect the general result and in the great majority of the states there is a fair vote and an honest count. But under the new rule the states in which there is no such fairness might manage to overbalance the [illegible] of all the others by returning majorities far greater than the relative strength of the parties would justify. There are great dangers from unfairness and [illegible] present system but these dangers would be vastly increased by the change proposed.

A Washington dispatch gives a statement of [illegible] recommendations for appropriations to be applied to river and harbor improvements on the Pacific coast, among which is an item of $150,000 for the lower Willamette and Columbia rivers from Portland to the sea including the bar at the mouth of the Columbia. This item is among a list of recommendations aggregating over $24,000,000, which is submitted to congress by the secretary of war with the suggestion that the grand total be reduced to $7,500,000—about two-thirds. This would give to our river course [illegible] the outlet to the [illegible] and traffic of the Pacific northwest but little more than $50,000. No important and permanent work could be done or even commenced with this insignificant sum. Were it all so applied it would but little more than build and equip a dredge suitable for removing the bars which now obstruct navigation and indirectly affect the price of wheat, salmon, wool and whatever else we send abroad. The original recommendation is quite small, while the sum we are likely to get unless special effort be made is only a little better than nothing.

Many Kentucky democrats as they happen to live just across the river from the southern border of Indiana have a neighborly fashion of going over on election day and lending to their party friends their voices and votes in the common interest. This kindly aid has had much to do in maintaining Indiana's constitutional uncertainty or at least in securing large democratic returns from the southern border counties. But even fraternal spirit may be carried too far. It has recently been shown that one of the democratic representatives to the Indiana legislature from Clark county, elected in October last, is an actual resident and citizen of Louisville Kentucky. The Courier-Journal (dem) which has peculiar tact in the treatment of democratic sin perhaps acquired by much familiarity with the subject, says of the expose in a jocular way "Our Louisville boys are carrying it too far. When they have voted early and often across the river they will have done all that is expected of them. They ought not to permit themselves to be elected to the legislature."

The beauties of double taxation are well shown in California. Under the new constitution the property of corporations is taxed, and their capital stock is taxed again. Mr Charles Crocker, for instance, is taxed on stocks as follows

Central Pacific Railroad Company	$ 0 000 000
Southern Pacific Railroad Company	5 000,000
Western Development Company	200 000
California Pacific Railroad Company	500,000
Other railroad companies	522,000
Oakland Water-Front Company	290 000
Capital Savings Bank	100 000
Wells, Fargo & Co	200 000
California Steam Navigation Company	100 000
Market Street Railroad Company	90 000
Home Mutual Insurance Company	66 000

It has been said that Mr Crocker's taxes for one year reaches the enormous sum of $500,000. Whether this be true or not it is certain that many large property owners of San Francisco are acquiring legal, if not actual, residence in New York. So the state will lose its taxes, not only on their capital stock but on all other forms of property owned by them as individuals except real estate.

An appropriation was made by the legislature at the recent session to begin the erection of an insane asylum building at Salem. The amount appropriated was not so large as it ought to have been even for a commencement. But as a beginning must be made some time this sum will serve to give a building a start and the next legislature can grant more. Specifications have been called for, which we learn are to be opened to-day. Every plan should be well studied before any is adopted. No inconsiderable building will be required. One at all suitable will cost a good deal of money, and while the state is about it it may as well lay a foundation for supplying the needs of the immediate future. It is useless to waste money on a shabby and insufficient building. To adopt a plan for a proper structure will require some deliberation. Since the state will be obliged to lay out a good deal of money for this object it wants something to show for its money after it is expended.

Senator Brown tells a correspondent of the Providence Star that the Bourbons have dealt their last blow in Georgia as an organized body. "In the recent canvass for the senatorship," he says, "my opponent had the united support of all the irreconcilables. The defeat he encountered was, I believe, a deathblow to Bourbonism in my state. My success was less a personal success than it was a triumph of New Georgia over Old Georgia. No I do not believe that the obstructionists and foes of progress in Georgia can ever rally their shattered forces again. Our state will enjoy the benefits of this victory in a thousand different ways and liberal progressive ideas have now gained an impetus that cannot be staved."

Among the duties prescribed, or, rather, among the privileges granted to the California board of railroad commissioners by the "Kearney code" recently adopted, is power to regulate freight and passenger rates of steamship lines in the coast trade, doing business under charter from the state, with authority to examine their books for the purpose of information. The Pacific coast steamship company to which the steamer State of California in the Portland San Francisco route belongs has filed complaint before the competent court contesting this clause of the constitution. The parties have agreed to make this a test case.

After all General Grant has a chance to be made captain general or something of that kind and given the half pay of a retired officer. Prominent democratic members of congress show signs of relenting in their opposition to the proposal. It would be Grant's luck which has won for him everything he ever wanted except a third term of the presidency.

We have several times published the official vote of New York but to satisfy an importunate inquirer we give it once more and here it is. Garfield 555,544 Hancock 534,511 Weaver 12,373 Dow 1517 Garfield over Hancock 21,033 Garfield's majority over all 7411.

Eastern papers now give the following figures as the aggregate and revised returns of the popular vote in the late presidential election, viz Garfield 4,449,017 Hancock 4,433,889 Weaver 306,389. By these figures Garfield's plurality over Hancock is 15,128.

The value of all property in the state of Ohio, according to returns published by the state auditor, is $1,548,215,964. This is nearly [illegible] short of the total amount of the national debt. Only about [illegible] of the [illegible] nearly [illegible].

The legislatures of many states will meet [illegible] this week and the usual [illegible] of the election of United States senators will begin. In New York, Pennsylvania and Indiana the [illegible] will be extremely lively.

California journals report [illegible] that state during the month of December is great that farming operations in [illegible] places had to be suspended.

Only one [illegible] is at work working through [illegible] California and as it is working hard our dispatches this morning [illegible] their accustomed fullness.

Gen Garfield says he will regard the [illegible] his own party an authoritative statement of which a [illegible] page will [illegible] approval from all disinterested [illegible] the president of the United States [illegible] will and [illegible] material [illegible] should he use the power of his office to [illegible] or support [illegible]. A republican [illegible] by republicans his administration [illegible] the whole people [illegible] trust [illegible] republican party [illegible] New York [illegible] support him at [illegible] candidates and any other course would show [illegible] party [illegible] support of republicans and the respect of democrats.

[illegible] Garfield [illegible] Nothing [illegible] the fact that nothing is known.

NEVADA AND OREGON RAILROAD.

Speech of Gov. Woods on Inauguration of the Enterprise at Reno. The Columbia River the Destination of the Road

We had by telegraph some days ago a brief account of the beginning of work again at Reno on the Nevada and Oregon railroad. The following from Gov Woods' speech on the occasion explains the purposes and objects of the company, and will be of general interest throughout Oregon. We may add that there are conjectures that this enterprise is part of the railway scheme of the Scotch company now building their lines in northern Oregon and evidently intending to make a southern connection. Gov Woods is president of the Nevada and Oregon road.

Nowhere have railroad men found a finer field for investment than upon the Pacific slope. And such is the magnitude of the enterprises now inaugurated in our midst and they follow each other in such rapid succession that we can scarcely keep apace with their movements or comprehend their vastness. And not the least of these is the Nevada and Oregon railroad which we inaugurate to-day. It has for a long time been apparent to those who have given the subject any thought that in order to complete the railroad system of the Pacific slope a lateral line would in the very nature of things be required to meet the commercial wants of the vast and rapidly increasing population on the eastern shed of the Sierra and Cascade mountains—a region of country so great as to be an empire within itself and one too which is now wholly untraversed for the purposes of trade except by wagons. Several attempts have been made in the past to occupy this field and meet this want but for some reason each and every effort has proven abortive. The people always ready to foster any great and beneficial enterprise have been lifted up in anxious expectation but to fall again. No thoughtful man has ever doubted that a road penetrating that region would pay and pay very largely. The time had not come in the wise dispositions of providence for its utilization. It remained for the projectors of the Nevada and Oregon railroad to step in and reap the harvest. I am happy to say and in saying so I am sure that I give utterance to the sentiment of the entire board of directors that we are wholly satisfied with the prospect before us. It is our opinion that no finer enterprise is or can be presented on the Pacific coast. It is without a rival. It has no competing lines nor can it have any and it is and will continue to be the policy of the company to avoid all antagonisms as well with all other railroad corporations as with the people with whom they come in contact. For the information of those most interested, and the public at large I will state that the construction of the road from Reno north to the Oregon line is under contract with Col Thomas Moore of Elizabeth New Jersey, a man in whom the company have full and implicit confidence and whose skill faithfulness and untiring energy in the past in the construction of some of the most important railroads in the east are an earnest of what we shall realize here. All arrangements are now completed in a manner most satisfactory to the company and we assure you that the work will be pushed forward with all possible dispatch until the contract shall be completed. And then another contract will follow and another until the Columbia river shall be reached and thus connect with the great railway system of the northwest coast. Added to this it is the purpose of the company to construct a branch from some point beyond the north end of Goose lake not yet determined through by, or in the vicinity of Linkville to the great Rogue river valley and another branch through to Eugene City at the head of the Willamette valley thus making their system complete. The region which will thus pay tribute to the road is a vast empire within itself. It is no disparagement to the intelligence of this people to say that but little of its real worth is known to the other world. No finer or more inviting country can be found on earth. Its isolation in consequence of the lack of easy cheap and rapid transportation has kept it hidden from the world. But now by the talismanic touch of railroads the curtain will be pulled aside and its beauties and excellencies revealed. It requires no argument to show fellow citizens of Reno that your town will be the center of a great railroad system. Without disparaging any other of the cities or towns of Nevada we are justified in saying that no place in the state has as bright a future as Reno situated immediately on the great trans-continental highway in close proximity to the mountains nestling like a resplendent jewel on the banks of a majestic river whose limpid waters give verdure and beauty to the plain and make glad the hearts of men—it is the natural distributing point the commercial centre of the vast and rapidly improving mining grazing and agricultural districts, which lay to the north and south.

The Central Pacific railroad with its almost unparalleled trade the Virginia and Truckee railroad from the south and the Nevada and Oregon railroad on the north with the pulsating energy of an active commerce, pouring in their wealth will make a proud future of Reno while by the facilities for transportation which the Nevada and Oregon railroad will furnish the march of immigration will be diverted north and a vast population will soon occupy the fertile fields of Northeastern California and Southern and Southeastern Oregon.

Abuse of the Franking Privilege

WASHINGTON December 25th.—The investigation into the abuse of the franking privilege shows that during the campaign nine mail bags came from New York under the frank of Senator Wallace containing over 80,000 envelopes ornamented by the signatures of thirteen democratic senators the intention being to fill them with printed documents for circulation by the campaign committee.

The complete census returns for thirty-eight counties in Illinois show a majority of males over females in every county but one. In the New England states the rule is just reversed, more females than males.

Mrs Senator Logan superintends her husband's correspondence dictating to a stenographer for an hour at a time. She also assists the senator in collecting materials for reports and addresses.

The proposed national library building at Washington will cost nearly $5,000,000 and will have shelving for 10,000,000 books. The library now contains 375,000 volumes.

MARRIED:

On Jan 1 1881, at the home of Mrs S J Roberts in this city Rev T L Eliot officiating Hattie B Roberts and Robert Thompson.

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A GOLD CHAIN BRACELET ON SUNDAY [illegible] either First, Mill, Montgomery or [illegible] A suitable reward will be given the finder by leaving [illegible] Ackerman's Dollar Store. [illegible]

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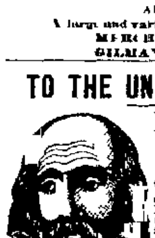

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OUR NEW YEAR'S NUMBER.

The demand for Saturday's mammoth double sheet OREGONIAN was beyond all precedent, and sales at the business office were larger than those of any previous issue. The paper was complimented on all hands for being that for which it was intended—an accurate resume of the agricultural and commercial standing of Oregon and Washington, and their immediate prospects; in other words a comprehensive answer to questions propounded by eastern capitalists and persons desiring to emigrate to the northwest coast, which are received by scores with every day's mail. The edition is not yet exhausted, and copies can be secured by application at the business office to-day.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—12:30.—For Pacific coast region, partly cloudy weather, with rain north of [illegible].

CITY.

Jan. 1, 1881.—New Year's day as usual was celebrated quietly and with customary happy greetings from everybody to everybody. Nearly every lady received friends. Some made extensive preparations in the way of dainty lunches; some gave their rooms additional beauty with tasteful evergreens; others simply warmed their parlors with bright fires and cheerful presence—all were cordial. A few, and but a few, hung baskets on the door bells. Wholesale stores and banks did not open their doors, and retail establishments closed at noon. Sunday gave an additional day's rest, and if everyone does not feel refreshed and ready for the year's work there it is probably his or her own fault.

A SECOND CYCLONE.—Last Tuesday evening about 7 o'clock, says a contemporary, a wind storm of considerable magnitude, said to be equally as severe and destructive as that of Jan. 9, 1880, by those who experienced it, prevailed on the Barnes road, five miles from this city. It was confined to a limited space, but where it spent its force, the trees were prostrated in rows. It took twelve men three hours to clear three miles of the highway of the fallen timber, and one farmer was six hours traveling as many miles, with his team, owing to the numerous obstacles in the path.

A NASTY FALL.—A few nights ago a man named [illegible] Cane, who resides in the northern end of the city, met with a very serious fall. He started for the wharf at the foot of E street, and the night being very dark, he fell from the upper dock at the rear of the Willamette Iron Works and landed on the wharf below a distance of nearly 20 feet. His moaning attracted the attention of the night watchman who subsequently had him removed to his home. Cane, it is said, is lying in a critical condition from his injuries. Hopes of his recovery, however, are entertained.

THE TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The regular open temperance meeting on last Saturday night attracted a crowded house. Addresses were delivered by C. [illegible], Mrs. Duniway and the Rev. M. Gray. The [illegible] speech of Mr. Gray was one of the best and most eloquent appeals ever made in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. Miss Emma M. Abell, accompanied by Prof. Cook, on the pianoforte, delighted the audience with their selections. Miss Clara Rep[illegible] gave two readings which were well received. Much enthusiasm prevailed and a large number took the pledge.

NEW HANDS.—The Sunday Welcome appeared yesterday under the management of its new proprietors, Messrs. James B. Leahy, W. R. Strubie and [illegible] W. Simpson. Several new features have been added, and the paper shows marked improvement in tone and cheerfulness. It gives good promise of becoming a bright, clean family journal. Sam. Simpson's elegant writing which is always read with pleasure is no small attraction. Typographically the paper is decidedly neat. We wish the young men abundant success in their new enterprise.

DEATH OF JAMES WELCH.—After a lingering sickness of many months, Mr. James Welch, the well known, capable and honorable driver in a great number of closely contested trotting matches, where famous horses competed for victory, breathed his last at the St. Charles hotel in this city, Saturday evening. He died of consumption, a disease he contracted last year while driving over the East Portland race course. The deceased was born on the [illegible] of August, 1847, in Syracuse, New York. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon.

A BOAT CAPSIZED.—Yesterday morning a floating log got afoul of the Stark street cable, and Captain Tom Love went out in a small boat to attach a line by which the obstruction could be dislodged. This done, he pulled away up stream, the ferry starting at the same time. The strong current swung the small boat around, and to save being swept under the ferry, Capt. Love grasped the cable. Before the ferry could be stopped, the sheave caught his right hand, breaking a finger and severely bruising the palm.

SERIOUS DAMAGE TO FRUIT TREES.—The recent ice storm did more damage than first reported. The loss of Mr. Pat. Bradford to prune, pear and [illegible] trees on his farm west of Marquam's hill will amount to $500; Drs. Cardwell and Watkins' loss in the same neighborhood will be about as much. Probably half the trees in that vicinity have been stripped of every limb, and those which leaned badly were prostrated. The loss to fruit trees in this county will not fall short of $20,000.

LARCENY FROM DWELLING.—Yesterday, a man named Harry Williams was arrested some distance from the city, on a charge of larceny from a dwelling. Williams has been employed at a farm about 8 miles from Portland, and during the absence of his employer he broke into the house and took therefrom a valuable shot gun. The weapon was missed and search was made for Williams, who was found [illegible] on the farm. He was arrested and lodged in the county jail.

OPEN HOUSE.—The members of Multnomah Engine Co. No. 2, and Vigilance Hook and Ladder, No. 1, kept open house on New Year. Both houses were handsomely thrown open in the afternoon—from 1 P. M. [illegible] During these hours hundreds of persons called to present compliments and extend congratulations. In both houses splendid lunches were spread of which the guests partook heartily.

IRISH LAND LEAGUE.—At a meeting of the Irish Land League held yesterday afternoon the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year: President, [illegible] Phelan; vice president, Wm. McCarty; secretary, Wm. F. Dunne; treasurer, E. J. Sheehan; board of [illegible], R. D. Pit, Edward Hanly, J. J. Dunn, John King and Jos. J. Meagher.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING.—Saturday night, Mr. W. J. Shipley, book-keeper for Smith Bros. & [illegible], was coming from East Portland on the Stark street ferry, he stepped from the boat before it reached the pontoon. The strong current carried him rapidly down stream to Ash street, where he was rescued by some men in a boat.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTION.—The following persons have been elected as officers of the M. E. Sunday school, of Mount Tabor, for 1881: Supt. J. S. Newell; asst. supt., W. H. Oaks; sec'y, M. Gilham; treasurer, Miss Laura Fisher; librarian, Joe. Newell; organist, Miss Laura Fisher; chorister, J. R. N. Bell[illegible].

CIRCUIT COURT.—The regular term of the circuit court for Clatsop county will convene to-morrow at Astoria. Judge Raleigh Stott and District Attorney J. F. Caples will leave here this morning for that city. The calendar is very light, and all the cases will probably be disposed of this week.

BENEFIT.—A performance was given at Liberty hall, Astoria, last Saturday afternoon, the proceeds of which were donated to St. Mary's hospital. A very attractive programme was rendered. The proceeds were quite substantial.

ANNUAL MEETING—This evening the annual meeting of the Portland Hibernian Benevolent society will be held at their hall at 7:30 o'clock. Officers for the coming year are to be elected, and a full attendance is desired.

REGULAR TERM.—The regular term of state circuit court for Multnomah will commence on Monday, the 10th. At the term a number of criminal cases will be disposed of.

ARRIVED.—The steamer Oregon arrived at this port Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. She will sail to-morrow morning at 3 o'clock.

RECOVERING.—Mr. Horace G. Daniels who was ill for several weeks is now able to leave his room and is in a fair road to recovery.

CLEARED.—The ship Balmore has cleared for Queenstown with 26,133 centals of wheat, valued at [illegible].

Eight shots 10 cents, at Smith's gallery.

Christmas slippers, new and beautiful patterns, at E. Burr's.

First-class cuisine is what creates a large trade at [illegible]'s, in the St. Charles.

Why is the Masonic Hall the most popular in town? Because it is the cheapest and best.

REMOVAL.—Dr. R. Gilsan has removed his office to the corner of Second and Ash streets.

Buy your wife a sewing machine, and recollect [illegible], 31 Yamhill street. For cash, cheap.

Save money and get the best photographs at I. G. Davidson's, First and Yamhill streets, Portland.

[illegible] House Restaurant, under Tornado & Co.'s management. First class table. Rooms for ladies.

Go to Keith's for your oysters.

If you wish to purchase a Piano examine the celebrated Knabe at Simon Harris'. Prices [illegible].

Christmas Tree trimmings of every description. Special rates to Church and Sunday School Festivals. Send addresses early from the country to Postoffice Candy Store, Multnomah Building, opp P. O.

If you want to buy a Christmas present for your sister or cousin, it is folly these hard times to spend money for nonsense, when for $20 you can buy for them a gold watch or diamond ring at Uncle [illegible], 131 First street.

If You Want Satisfaction take your old sewing machines to Garrison's sewing machine store, 167 Second street. He has employed one of the best adjusters and sewing machine repairers on the coast. Charges reasonable, all work warranted for one year.

Uncle Myers gives written guarantee with all goods sold. This guarantee is to the effect that all watches he sells will keep time as long as represented. When he says an article is gold it is not brass, and that the [illegible] and pistols he warrants will be worth the price paid for them. He means what he says.

POETRY AND ART.

A Novel Christmas Package Consigned to the Pittsburg Postoffice, by Col. E. Jay Allen, Directed to Mrs. Anne Stroud, of this city.

To many of the surviving pioneers of Washington Territory and Oregon, the name of Col. E. Jay Allen is still well remembered. He it was who had the contract for opening the road from Yakima over the Cascades to the Puget Sound country, through the Natchez pass. This road was surveyed by Gen. George B. McClellan, in 1853, who was then only a lieutenant. This road, we believe, was opened by Col. Allen in 1854. It was over this same road that Theodore Winthrop, the gifted author, passed during the same year it was opened, and the scenes and incidents experienced in going through the pass constituted a portion of the contents of his book entitled "Canoe and Saddle," which was soon after issued. Col. Allen was a native of Pittsburg, and after residing in Washington territory for only a few years, he returned to his home in the east. Last summer Colonel Allen paid a visit to the field of his early pioneer labors, remaining in and about Olympia for several weeks. On his way to Washington territory he stopped over night at the home of Mr. George M. Stroud, the pioneer conductor on the east side road, whom he knew in boyhood days way back in the old Keystone state.

In the Pittsburg Telegraph of December 19th we observe the following article, which will require no further explanation:

To-day a large white envelope was dropped into the Pittsburg postoffice and its novel attributes will sorely tempt the busy officials to halt in their labors and admire the package. The envelope is of the "legal" size, and the address is skillfully incorporated in the lines given below. The borders of the package bear a series of beautifully executed vignettes in India ink, depicting scenes along the railways over which the missive must travel in its long journey from Pittsburg to Portland, Oregon. An engine half buried in snowdrifts is particularly well executed. The reverse of the envelope bears a handsome monogram of the sender's initials and the coats-of-arms of Pennsylvania and Oregon. The sender and poet is Col. E. Jay Allen and the artist Mr. John Alexander.

The poem reads as follows, the last lines containing the address:

> "Up the long line of prairie lands,
> The tiny threads of iron bands,
> Wind thro' the ever deepening snow,
> Where Platte rolls down in seaward flow.
> And lessening line of spectral posts
> Bear burden of Æolian hosts;
> That ever toll, with moan and sighs,
> Of gloomy lands and desolate skies.
> Still upward, where the mountain crest
> Looks down upon the farther west.
> The iron bands still seaward go.
> Past inward lake and river's flow,
> Thro' Mormon realm—and land of gold,
> Thro' vineyard slope—and Arctic cold.
> Thro' deserts drear—and gen'rous fields,
> Here, lava rocks—There, nature yields
> The golden grain—Here, heights sublime—
> There, meadows green—Here, rugged pine—
> There, summer flowers. But, here and there,
> In summer skies and wintry air,
> The constant rails are ever seen
> Still passing on, to where the Queen
> Of Sunset Shores sleeps on the bay;
> And at her feet they lay the store
> Which they have bro't from shore to shore.
> Oh, city queen! Unto your care
> They trust a treasure rich and rare.
> To years of gray—from age of youth
> I've treasured friendship—pure as truth.
> And, in these happy Christmas times,
> Enveloped in these careless rhymes,
> I send to—Mistress Anne Stroud—
> These Christmas lines, nor think me proud,
> O City Queen, O Ocean Bride!
> Because, in all your golden pride,
> I deem you honored, sending on
> This trust to Portland, Oregon.

Aside from the novel and attractive nature of this package, the illustrations are such that it is to be hoped the postoffice folks will "handle with care" and preserve Mr. Alexander's and Mr. Allen's work as free as possible from defacement.

MORE MODERATE WEATHER.

The Columbia Open to The Dalles—Low Temperature further East.

The warm southern winds of Friday extended east of the Cascades and raised the blockade as far as the Dalles. Through connection to and from that point was made by Saturday's boats. The lines have been working badly for three days past and full weather reports are unobtainable. The Cascade boat will leave as usual this morning, will certainly make connection to the Dalles, and probably through to Umatilla. The last report from Wallula (10 A. M. Sunday) show that the "Chinook" did not extend that far east. Following are the dispatches:

The Dalles, Saturday, 7 P. M.—The Hassalo went to the Cascades and returned to-day; heavy Chinook began at 1 P. M., blowing a perfect gale; ice all gone in middle Columbia and disappearing fast in upper Columbia.

Cascades, Saturday, 10 A. M.—Chinook passing over mountains; thermometer rose from 29 to 40 in one hour; snow melting fast.

The Dalles, Sunday, 10:20 A. M.—Weather opened up warm this morning, thermometer 40.

Blalock's—Reports therm. 27; some ice.

Wallula—Therm. 15; river full of ice.

Wires were down last night, hence no late report.

INCOMING PASSENGERS.

The steamship Columbia, which sailed from San Francisco on Saturday morning, Jan. 1st, brings the following passengers:

Col Jos Teal	A. L. Maxwell
Miss MacNeil	E F Wyman
J W Ca lallo	F Payne
J A Kress, U S A	H F Brown
J P Powell	M B Coey
Wm MacDonald	Geo E Cole
Jos Teal, Jr	W B Price
Lt N J Turner, U S A, & fy	R A Wilson
A J Hay	Lt Commander F B Coggeshall and wife
W Ford and wife	J M Bilyen
A C Yerman	Mrs N P Hindred
Nat Abpel	

EDUCATIONAL.

The following is the report of the principal of the public schools of East Portland, for the month of December—Central, J-street and Stephens' addition;

Total number of days of attendance, 5393.
Total number of days of absence, 935.5.
Average daily attendance, 267.7.
Average daily absence, 48.2.
Average number belonging, 315.9.
Percentage of attendance, 82.7.
Number remaining, 305.
Cases of tardiness, 14.

POSTAL STATISTICS.

The following is the report of the letter carriers of Portland for the month of December:

Registered letters delivered	369
Mail letters delivered	20,475
Mail postal cards delivered	2,357
Local letters delivered	2,858
Local postal cards delivered	1,340
Newspapers, etc., delivered	18,309
Letters returned to office	91
Letters collected	35,791
Postal cards collected	8,290
Newspapers, etc., collected	3,470

PERSONAL.

Hon. George E. Cole, postmaster of Portland, is a passenger on the incoming steamer. He returns from a short trip to the east.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

T. H. Chandler has removed to No. 28 Front street. See his ad.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Signal service United States army. Division of telegrams and reports for the benefit of commerce and agriculture. Report for the last 24 hours.

PORTLAND, Jan. 2, 7:37 P. M.

Place of Observation	Height of Barom	Change last 8 Hours	Ther	Wind Direction	Rain fall inches	State of weath.
Portland	30.37	—03	40	NW	.02	Lt Rain
Roseburg	30.36	—02	41	Calm	.00	Clear
Red Bluff	30.27	03	50	N	.00	Clear
Sacramento	30.31	11	49	SE	.00	Clear

Olympia line down.

CLOSING BRIC-A-BRAC SALE.

This evening Gilman & Co. will complete the sale of the contents of Marsh & Co.'s store, and will also offer some very handsome and rare articles received too late for Christmas sale. Special attention is called to these gems, as they have never before been seen out of Japan, and are some of the best specimens ever shipped to this country. They include bronzes, embroideries, satsuma ware, ivory, cloisonne, placques and tortoiseshell, and make in themselves an exquisite collection. Goods on view all day. Sale at 7 P. M.

LOOK HERE.—Chestnuts, grapes, gold fish, pampas grasses and candies at B. L. Stone's.

The Turn Halle is to be rented for balls, parties, etc., at cheaper rates than ever before. Inquire at Allsky & Hegele's.

The *best men's fine shoes*, are made by *Lilly, Brackett & Co.*, Boston, for sale only by Champlin & Hollabaugh, Pacific Boot and Shoe House.

NEW YEAR'S comes but once a year, and the center of attractions for presents is located on Third street, between Yamhill and Morrison, at "The Ladies' Emporium and Lace House."

For all kinds of sausage call at the California Sausage Factory, corner Fifth and Morrison sts.

A second-hand Steinway & Son piano, almost good as new, for sale very low at H. Sinsheimer's.

In the race for popularity, The New Domestic Sewing Machine is still ahead. Heroy's, 227 Second st.

WANTED.—Six first-class Dress-Makers. Apply immediately at Mrs. Pilger's, 153 First st., near Morrison.

Get your New Year's Candies and Bonbon Boxes, Wholesale and Retail at Postoffice Candy Store, Multnomah Building, opposite Postoffice.

WONDERFUL Baby Upright Piano in rosewood case, 7 octave only $250. See it at H. Sinsheimer's, agent for the Decker & Son celebrated piano, (acknowledged the best), and Mason & Hamlin and other organs.

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GEN. HOWARD INTERVIEWED.

His Views on Military Matters.

[San Francisco Chronicle.]

General O. O. Howard, late commander of the division of the Columbia, and who was recently appointed by President Hayes to succeed General Schofield at West Point, arrived in this city from Washington Saturday and is stopping at the Palace. In reply to a question by a reporter, General Howard said: "I came here to meet Generals McDowell and Wheaton, settle up my affairs on this coast and turn over the department of the Columbia to General Wheaton. General Nelson Miles has been assigned command of the department, but is now with General Crook in the Ponca Indian country, investigating affairs there. Until he arrives here the department will be in charge of General Wheaton."

GENERAL SHERMAN'S UTTERANCES.

"Did you read the interview recently published, in which General Sherman is reported as saying that he was all right, as the president could not retire him?"

"I did not read it, but heard something about it. It is evident that General Sherman has been misrepresented. He may have said that President Hayes could not retire him, as General Sherman will not be 62 years old (the age at which the law provides the president may retire army officers) until a year after Mr. Hayes has gone out of office. But the then president can of course retire him, as the law applies to all army officers and does not exempt the general of the army, as has been stated by some papers commenting on the late interview you refer to."

"Do you have any reason to believe that Gen. Sherman was displeased with any of the recent army changes?"

"I have not. The general is a warm personal friend of mine and of my family, and I am satisfied that my appointment to West Point pleased him, and I think the other changes were equally satisfactory. There are three persons to be consulted in making such changes—the president, secretary of war and Gen. Sherman—so of course all of the changes may not have been satisfactory to all."

THE MILITARY CHANGES.

"What were the principal changes made?"

"A new department was created, the department of New Orleans, of which Gen. Schofield was given command; Gen. Ord was retired and Gen. Augur was sent to take his place in Texas; Col. Hunt takes Augur's place at Newport, and I take Schofield's place at West Point."

"Do you like your change?"

"Yes, very much. Principally because I am doing considerable military writing and my new place puts me within convenient reach of army records and libraries of reference, the lack of which I missed very much in my seven years of duty on this coast."

COLORED CADETS AT WEST POINT.

"Did you read what Gen. Schofield said about the inadvisability of admitting colored cadets to West Point?"

"I only read a synopsis of his report containing the remarks you speak of, and am not sufficiently familiar with his views to criticise them. However, I think my course in relation to the colored cadets can be briefly and plainly stated. Our people have given the colored people the rights of citizenship. One of those rights is the privilege, equally with all others, of a military education at West Point, under the same conditions and restrictions which white boys who seek admission to the academy find. I think it is the duty of all executive officers not to criticise the laws, but to put them into effect. I shall endeavor to execute the laws in relation to West Point as I find them on the statute books."

GEN. SCHOFIELD'S REMOVAL.

"Was Gen. Schofield removed from West Point for misconduct, as has been generally stated?"

"By no means. That is an entirely wrong impression. I know that Gen. Schofield has long desired to be assigned other duty. I know also that he has made three separate applications to Gen. Sherman to be assigned duty elsewhere, and the change was made at his earnest request."

"When will you take charge of West Point, General?"

"I shall finish my business here, I think, so as to reach there about January 20th. That would suit me, as the yearly examinations are concluded at that time, and that would be a favorable time to commence my duties there."

Gen. Howard reported himself in excellent health, and his assertion was borne out by his robust and rugged appearance.

The late William Meek.

[San Francisco Bulletin, Dec. 28.]

William Meek, a well-known and highly respected pioneer of the Pacific coast, died at his residence near San Lorenzo, Alameda county, at 7 o'clock this morning, aged 63 years. He was a native of Ohio, and removed to Oregon in 1846, being then 29 years old. He engaged in agricultural pursuits, made many friends, and was successful in most of his undertakings, helping largely to develop the abundant resources of that new territory. He became convinced that the region contiguous to the bay of San Francisco would advance in wealth and prosperity more rapidly than any other part of the Pacific coast, and in 1858, acting with that energy for which he was noted, he removed to this state and purchased lands on the San Lorenzo creek. Here he became interested in general farming, carried on a nursery for some years, planted orchards, raised fine stock, and took an interest in all that aided the horticultural progress of the state.

Mr. Meek has been a regent of the university from which institution his son graduated a few years ago, and he has contributed liberally and without ostentation to educational and charitable enterprises. A man of quiet and kindly spirit, and of honest, straightforward business habits, his loss will be severely felt, and his memory will long be green in the hearts of the pioneers whose ranks are thinning so fast.

An Interesting Suggestion.

[Gath's Washington Letter].

The jobbing interest, which is again aggressive at Washington in view of Hayes' retirement, will not probably have long to remain coiled and concealed. To Hayes' method of government there are scores of men in Washington who find themselves indebted for clean hands and clean character; who might, under a more perverted administration, be now shuddering before investigation committees and asking for the earth to hide them. The passing and the coming administrations will probably clasp hands, and, indorsed by respectable public opinion, the fury of mere patronage getters will be of little consequence.

The Lake of Sacred History.

Last May the Lake of Tiberias was sounded and dredged. The lake is now 212 metres below that of the Mediterranean, but it is thought to have been at one time on a level with the "Great Sea," or Mediterranean. It is 250 metres deep at its northern extremity, its deepest part, and M. Lourtet has reason to believe, from remains found during the dredging operations, that it had been at one time a saline lake. There are reported to have been discovered types of fish marking the transition between salt and fresh water fauna.

The Hawkeye man proposes to mitigate the divorce evil in Illinois by having clergymen generally adopt some fixed rate for performing the marriage ceremony, "say $5 for the first offense, $10 for the second, $20 for the third, and so on."

The number of saloons in Chicago lead the number of churches just 3000. The proprietors of the saloons are a favored class, and are allowed to ply their vocation seven days in the week, and, for fear some belated individual will go dry, many of them run all night.

Hydrophobia!

Dogs transmit it through their teeth. Teeth should be kept free from virus. Use SOZODONT, keep the human teeth clean, and no damage can be done by the man who says to his girl, "I feel like eating you up, dearest."

FINNEN'S HAVANA CIGAR STORE
First and Alder street. The largest and best selected stock of cigars in the city, comprising New York, Key West and Imported Havanas. Call and be convinced that you can get a better article for a less price than at any other store in the city. Sole Agency for the Celebrated Kerbs and Spiels New York Cigars.

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And an Entire New Stock of
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Call and examine at
J. KOHN'S CLOTHING PALACE,
Cor. First and Morrison Sts.

DEATH OF ALBERT W. KINNEY.

[REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE OF THE OREGONIAN.]

SALEM, Dec. 31.

The citizens of Salem were greatly shocked this morning to hear of the death of A. W. Kinney at his residence in this city. He had been ill for several weeks, but until just before his death hopes were entertained of his recovery. All that medical skill could do was done, but without avail. Salem is again called upon to mourn the loss of one of its best and most influential citizens; one who individually has perhaps done more than any one else to enhance its interests, and whose enterprise and public spiritedness has become proverbial. His life was above reproach, and he was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. He did as much as any one man in Oregon to advance her commercial interests. His character was unassailable, and in his death Salem's loss will be keenly felt. His liberality was well known, although he never "let his left hand know what his right hand did." Many a needy family will recall some charitable act performed by him just at the right time. His employes respected him to a man, and the solemn stillness of the great wheel at the mill is itself a memento of sorrow, and amid the New Year's festivities of the capital city, many a word of sympathy will be spoken as the otherwise joyous participants think of the one that is gone. The flag of the statehouse is at half mast in respect to his memory.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at one o'clock from the Baptist church.

INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS.

The collections of revenue for the year 1880 at the office of J. C. Cartwright, collector of internal revenue for the district of Oregon, were as follows:

Distilled spirits	$ 1,580 52
Retail liquor dealers' license	25,705 95
Wholesale liquor dealers' license	1,916 66
Rectifiers' stamps	39 70
Wholesale liquor dealers' stamps	64 10
Cigar stamps	4,081 99
Cigarette stamps	32 27
Tobacco stamps	582 59
Dealers in m'f'g tobacco license	8,875 93
Cigar m'f'g license	80 00
Dealers in leaf tobacco	371 51
Beer stamps	22,801 50
Brewers' license	2,066 61
Dealers in malt liquor	1,088 89
Bank capital	5,450 29
Bank Deposits	5,001 14
Manufacturers of tobacco	370
Rectifiers' License	700 00
Court Fines	928 44
Total	$79,620 93

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS.

The total collections for each month were as follows;

January	$ 6,795 34
February	1,857 67
March	2,035 30
April	22,304 11
May	13,287 41
June	6,753 90
July	10,110 79
August	4,337 95
September	4,013 96
October	8,316 53
November	2,446 81
December	9,646 09
Total	$79,620 93

SAGEBRUSH CATTLE.

How the Business Began in Nevada—Its Profits and Losses.

[From the Reno Gazette.]

Cattle-raising, now one of the principal industries in Nevada, commenced east of the Sierra in 1858 or 59. At that time the first band of cattle was driven into the Honey Lake valley from Texas. In 1859 Alvaro Evans and Robert Sess settled in Long valley and went into the business of cattle-raising. The date of the first wintering of cattle on the Humboldt was 1859-60. Peter Lassen, the first settler in Honey Lake valley, owned a few cattle. He was killed at Block Rock in 1859 by the Indians. From small beginnings the number of cattle ranging in Nevada has increased enormously. E. W. Crutcher estimates the total number at 200,000. It is estimated that the stock now ranging in the state are about half thoroughbred. As a result of this crossing with thoroughbred stock the average weight of the cattle has been increased fully 10 per cent. The largest drive of cattle ever seen in Nevada was that from Dr. Glenn's ranch on the Humboldt, in 1879. There were 12,000 head in the drove. Almost all the cattle now fed and marketed in Nevada are raised on ranges within the state. The yearly importation from Oregon is about 10,000 head.

The cost of driving cattle varies much, depending greatly on the chances for feed. When grazing is to be had it will cost about $1 a head to drive 2500 cattle 300 miles—say from Oregon to Reno, which is the longest drive in this neighborhood. One vaquero is required for every fifty head. The rate of travel will vary from twelve to twenty miles per day, according to circumstances. Two horses are required for each man, as the riding is severe. Pack animals are taken along where wagons cannot be driven. The drove is fed in the middle of the day, and the halt is made at night where there is abundance of grass or hay and water. The vaqueros watch the animals all night, taking turns at picket duty. The pay of the varqueros is usually about $35 per month, and extra men in busy times are paid $1 75 per day.

A large herd is much more profitable to the raiser than a small one. The expense of looking after and caring for a thousand head is nearly as great as for four or five thousand head. A herd of 3000 will be made up as follows: It will contain, say 15 bulls, of an average value of $50; 1200 cows, average value $10; 400 three-year-old steers, average value $20; 1500 two-year-olds, average value $10, and 1900 yearlings of an average value of $6 or $7.

A thousand head of cattle will require a range of about 6000 acres. The business is profitable, leading cattle men estimating the average profit at 34½ per cent, per annum on the capital invested. The average loss from disease is estimated at 4 per cent; from storms, 10 per cent, and from wild beasts, 1 per cent. The principal disease is what is called the bigjaw.

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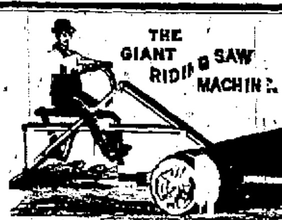
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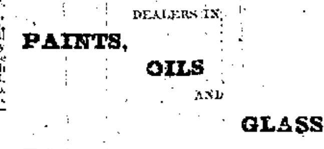
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A Great Speculator's Gratitude

It happened twenty years ago, when people had an idea that gratitude was ready to bubble in the human heart at a moment's notice A stock speculator was waiting at the corner of Broadway and Vesey streets for an omnibus While he fell into a reverie over the graves just over the fence or was wondering if Lake Shore would advance another peg, matters not A runaway horse took the sidewalk just below him and so deep was the speculator's reverie that he would have been run down and perhaps killed had not a friendly hand clutched and dragged him aside

"My friend you have saved my life" gasped the rescued man, as he realized his escape

"Perhaps so but don't mention it I'm glad to have been of service to you"

"What is your name?"

"John Smith"

"Well, Mr Smith, I'm a man who can return a favor My gratitude is more than words can express What can I do for you?"

"Oh! nothing, I guess"

"But I shall I speculate in stocks I shall to morrow buy $10 000 worth of Lime Ledge canal stock for you, and hold it as your broker, and turn you over the profits for a year Such heroic conduct as yours must not go unrewarded Good night, my dear Smith"

Tradition has it that one year from that date John Smith sat in his office A boy appeared and handed him a letter He opened it to find that it was from the man whose life he had saved He also found that the $1000 had been invested as promised, but that Lime Ledge stock had kept falling a little all the time until $400 out of the $10,000 had been lost Inclosed was a statement and a bill for this deficiency, which he was asked to remit by bearer!

Since that date John Smith has had hundreds of chances to save human life on our crowded streets, but he has refused to extend a hand in each and every case It would make a poor man of him in less than six months

Impurity in Ice

The popular delusion that water in the process of freezing somehow eliminates any impurity it may contain, or that the vitality of animal or vegetable germs is destroyed by the cold, is now very generally exploded. Now, however, that the season for gathering ice is once more approaching, it will be just as well that attention should be again drawn to the dangerous nature of the fallacy alluded to An American naturalist has been microscopically examining fragments of ice taken from various canals and ponds, He took only such specimens as appeared clean, and and were quite transparent to the eye On melting them and subjecting them to magnifying powers, varying up to 900 diameters, he says that vegetable tissue and confervoid growth were in most cases observable at once He found no instance in which animalculæ were present in an active state after freezing, but after being allowed to stand for a while in a moderate temperature the water presented monads whose movements were easily distinguished with a magnifying power of from 200 to 400 diameters After a while confervæ were growing and taking form similar to the nests occupied by the young of the Paramecium common in stagnant water The result of the observations is to prove beyond question that freezing does not in any way eliminate impurity or prevent the subsequent development of animal or vegetable germs. This is merely a confirmation of what has already been asserted and proved before, but the matter is of such importance that it is not likely to be urged with unnecessary frequency. Many persons who will look askance at a glass of unfiltered water will not hesitate to cool their drink by dropping a knob of ice into it That from ponds and canals is, of course, ostensibly gathered for non-dietetic purposes, but it is to be feared that in hot weather ice is ice, and that much risk of mischief is often incurred It may be questioned whether his industry should not be looked after a little —[London Globe

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

"In the morning by the bright light, when Gabriel blows his trumpet in the morning," thank heaven he won't blow that tune.

One little Long Island town is said to number among its residents 75 persons whose ages average 85 years, seventeen of them being over 90

The Russians are paying great attention to the revolver as a means of warfare. Upwards of 60,000 of these handy weapons are being made at Berlin for the Russian army

In a little villa of Eure et Loire may be read on the portals of the cemetery. "By the decision of the municipal council, there are to be buried here only the dead who live in this commune."

The Ottoman gendarmerie scheme has totally collapsed, and after this there will be an end of the English gendarmerie in Turkey, about which there has been so much cry and so little wool.

Appreciative sympathy Herr Bogoluboffski plays a lovely nocturne, which he has just composed. To him (as he softly touches the final note) Fair amateur "Oh, thanks! I am so fond of that dear old tune!"

Much unconscious humor is to be found in the menace lately sent to Lord Morris Fitzgerald by his Irish tenants, to the effect that, though he would be shortly shot, nothing would be done to frighten or annoy Lady Adela, his wife

A tramp woke up suddenly with a cold sweat standing in great beads upon his forehead "What's the matter?" asked his companion. "A frightful dream! I dreamed I was at work!" "I told you that last mince pie would give you a horrid nightmare"

"Are you a good rider?" asked the livery man. "I am," replied the customer, and just then the horse snorted, stood on its hands, came down and bucked, and the customer went on, from his high seat in the hay mow, "See how easily I get off"

Fancy Scrap Bag —Take two medium sized, three ply wooden plates, bore in each twelve holes near the edge and at equal distances from each other, leaving a space where there are no holes for the opening of the bag Paint or draw with India ink on the bottom of each plate—which is to be the outside—some pretty design. Take a piece of satin about three quarters of a yard long and over an eighth of a yard wide, hem each end and run in a short piece of elastic Gather each side and draw up till it makes a puff just long enough to reach between the two end holes of a plate Bind the edges of the puff Then make twelve little slits in each binding corresponding to the holes in the plates Take two yards of satin ribbon half an inch wide put it through the first hole on the outside of the plate and through the first slit in the binding, through the second slit and second hole, and so on till it comes out through the twelfth hole in the plate Tie the ends together in a bow Take two yards more of ribbon and do the same with the other plate By careful cutting, three eighths of a yard of satin is enough for the puff and binding

Two Texas desperadoes agreed to fight with knives in a closed room at Fort Worth They were prevented by arrest

National Charities

A State a county a nation noted for its beneficent charities to unfortunate humanity is worthy a high place in the world's annals The times when the insane were treated like wild animals when the deaf and dumb were left to lives of stolid ignorance and the blind allowed to sit in mental as well as bodily darkness are reviewed by the humanitarian of the nineteenth century with shuddering dismay That part of the report of the Secretary of the Interior that details the number of these unfortunates cared for by the Government in the Asylums provided for them in the District of Columbia, is one of the marks of our advancing in civilization a significant figure upon the dial of time that divides the new from the old In

THE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE

During the past 25 years 4940 cases of insanity in all its forms have been treated Of this number 2015 have been returned to their friends and to the world cured On the last day of June 1880 there remained in this hospital for treatment 897 persons of whom 691 were men, 529 of those treated during the year were from the army, 53 from the navy and 462 from civil life For the proper support of the insane thus directly under the care of the Government for the current fiscal year Congress is asked to appropriate for maintenance, clothing and medical treatment, $196 875 for general repairs and improvements $10,000 for special improvements the chief item in which is to furnish the hospital with a supply of pure water, $40,000 The Columbia Institute for

THE DEAF AND DUMB,

Is the next on the list of the nation's charities, and is reported as follows The number of pupils under instruction during the year was 128 Of these 79 were in the collegiate department, representing twenty four States and the District of Columbia, and 49 were in the primary department The general health of the pupils has been good and but one death has occurred Instruction in articulation has been continued with increasing success A diploma and silver medal were received from the Paris Universal Exposition of 1878 in recognition of the remarkable advance made by the collegiate department The president of the institution visited Europe during the summer for the purpose of attending an international convention of instructors of the deaf and dumb in Milan, Italy early in September The receipts of the institution amounted to $53,523 06, and the expenditures to $52,290 37, of which $29,444 48 were for salaries and wages The estimates for next year are for current expenses and repairs, $53,500, the same amount as that appropriated for the present year, and $15,242 07 for the completion of the gymnasium, the erection of a barn, cow-houses etc, and for the improvement and inclosure of the grounds Congress at its last session made provision for the care and education of the feeble-minded children belonging to the District of Columbia, the expenses of the same to be defrayed out of the appropriation for the support of the Institution for the support of the Deaf and Dumb One applicant has been placed in the Pennsylvania Training School for Feeble-minded Children, at Media, near Philadelphia Twenty blind children belonging to the District of Columbia have been under instruction the past year in the Maryland Institution for the Blind, at Baltimore, as beneficiaries of the United States The exigencies that followed closely in the wake of the emancipation of vast numbers of men and women from slavery to lives of responsible liberty, created the necessity of some humane provisions for their wants by the government Among them was the

FREEDMAN'S HOSPITAL

The whole number of patients in the hospital during the year was 1,119 The number in the hospital June 30 1879, was 217, the number admitted during the year was 802; 139 died, 752 were discharged, leaving 228 in the hospital at the close of the last fiscal year About two-thirds of the patients were colored persons Of those who were discharged, 585 are reported cured A dispensary has been carried on in connection with the hospital upon the books of which for the year are borne the names of 1,949 patients This hospital subserves an urgent need of this community, and the continuance of provision for it is commended to the attention of Congress The expense of the support and medical treatment of each patient in this hospital is about fifty cents a day As the amount of suffering relieved by these National charities is incalculable, so is the computation of the vice and crime prevented by their wise intervention beyond computation and reason and humanity alike rejoice at the record.

They are anxiously looking about for a Provost for the University of Pennsylvania The right man doesn't show himself, and a writer in the Philadelphia *Press*, suggests Gen Grant, or, in the event that no one can be found sooner, Gen Garfield four years hence

George Eliot and her Fame

[From the San Francisco Bulletin]

In power of expression facility in dramatic creation and in the vivid representations of types of character George Eliot had no rival among women or men Her works will probably be read as long as the English language embodies the best literature of the world What an imperishable monument has this woman erected to the everlasting honor of herself, and to the delight of the millions who read and will hereafter read, her brilliant creations? It was, perhaps, a fitting time to die when she had ceased to create anything more, and her fame was established on everlasting foundations

'Go West, Young Woman.'

[From the Pittsburg Commercial]

Philadelphia has 25 000 more females than males a fact which shows that Massachusetts is not likely to have a monopoly of the old maids In that state there are only 60 000 more women than men Some female Greeley should take up the cry Go west young woman, go west —but steer clear of Utah

The Cincinnati Commercial declares that it is funny to see a country editor asking for cordwood on subscription and groaning in another column about the glut of silver dollars

Home Produce Market.

FLOUR—Stocks are large and still accummulating Quotations for round lots $4 75 for standard $4 25@4 50 for good country brands

OATS—Market quiet but steady dealers have large stocks on hands quote $1 40@1 45 per cental feed $1 25@1 35

WOOL—There is a brisk demand Valley 20c Eastern Oregon 20@25c

HAY—The supply is light and demand good Bale timothy $20@22 ⅌ ton

MILL FEED—The demand is good and the supply light Quotations Middlings $20@22½ shorts $18 chop feed $18@20 bran $16@18

CURED MEATS—Market firm Quotations—Hams Oregon sugar cured 14@15c eastern 14@15 bacon 13½@14c shoulders 10@11

LARD—Market steady at 1 @17½c in kegs [illegible] in tins and 13½@15½c in pails

CHICKENS [illegible]

DRIED APPLES—Prices [illegible]

[illegible]

POTATOES—[illegible] steady at 40@[illegible]

HIDES—The [illegible]

BUTTER—[illegible]

[illegible]

EGGS—Market [illegible]

CHEESE—Oregon [illegible]

APPLES—The market is overstock with inferior grades of fall apples which are sold at almost any [illegible]

PEARS—Per box 60@75

TIMOTHY SEED—Per lb 6@7c

TURKEYS—Per lb live weight 14@15c

DUCKS—Per doz $5@6

GEESE—Per doz $8@9

SALMON—Columbia river ⅌ bbl $8@8 50 half bbl $4 25@4 50 bellies hf bbl $8@9

HOPS—Oregon ⅌ lb 14@15c

KELLY SAYS TILDEN DID IT

W [illegible] John Kelly [illegible] letter is endeavoring to make it appear that [illegible] of Gramercy Park [illegible] of New York to [illegible] of General Hancock [illegible]

[illegible] this city was 1 601 [illegible] 48 [illegible] that while [illegible] 40 [illegible] In [illegible]

[illegible] while in that state it was only a little over a half [illegible] it [illegible] that the state will have elected [illegible] by a large majority It is plain from the figures which the only effective work of the recent campaign was done and where the responsibility of General Hancock's four rests

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This [illegible] where G Hancock was defeated and where responsibility for [illegible] In [illegible] instance the home of General [illegible] chairman of the state committee and Tilden's most devoted friend the republicans gained 295 votes [illegible] Smith M Weed who is Tilden's most active agent and [illegible] controls the democratic organization in Clinton county where the democracy lost 746 votes Facts like these [illegible] the democracy of the state and nation and brand the forehead of the one man who is responsible for it

Instead of taking advantage of the popular uprising for Hancock by calling a state convention immediately after his nomination to perfect arrangements for a successful campaign the Tilden state committee [illegible] to call a convention [illegible] forced to do so and then deferred the date until it was practically useless The campaign was [illegible] with lassitude and half heartedness instead of being pushed with vigor and aggressiveness [illegible] the [illegible] organization was an Arctic chill

Down with grasping monopolists! On eastern railroads a man now goes through the train just before it reaches a tunnel and lights the lamps If this practice is to be continued there might as well be no tunnels

EASTERN FREIGHTS—THE NEW YORK MARKET.

New York Jan 1 —The year closed with dullness at the wharves of California vessels in consequence of the snow storm which has caused delay in the delivery of freight by railroads thus delaying the loading of vessels The Hagerstown ought to have been loaded Friday night but was obliged to go over into the new year Rates of freight are firmer and an advance is asked for some classes Tonnage is in fair supply but none of the lines are in want for ships at present

Railroad freights are still quite active and the movement for the past week embraces 8100 cases and 21 bbls of coal oil 832 packages tobacco 9 cases canned goods 5 packages dates 30 bbls currants 73 packages figs 60 boxes lemons 100 cases milk 50 boxes beer 15 bbls and 195 kegs syrup, 50 kegs salt fish

The freight market at Philadelphia is dull and the St. Joseph is not yet loaded

At Boston there is no vessel on the berth the Emily F Whitney having sailed Thursday Railroad freights there have been less active Shipments include 100 cases canned goods 710 packages fish

Markets are with but few exceptions very quiet consequent upon the close of the year Prices however are generally steady and firm and prospects are that the new year will open with rather a brisk trade

Wheat—Opened half a cent higher closed at an advance and fairly active

Barley—Steady but quiet

Pork—Firm with fair demand

Lard—Quiet

Rio Coffee—Better demand ½ higher

Refined Sugar—Good demand higher for yellow

Teas—Inactive dealers waiting for auction sale announced for next week

Hides—Nominal

Hops—Inactive

Foreign Fruits—Dull and prices unchanged

Turpentine—Quiet 1c higher

Raisins—Scarce and firm for low grades medium and pale grades neglected

Petroleum—Inactive

Sperm Oil—Held firmly whale quiet and unchanged at recent decline

Borax—Quiet but firm

Quicksilver—Dull and easy

Pig Iron—and other metals quiet and unchanged

Nails—Dull but held higher

Hardware—All kinds very dull

Wool—Very quiet but prices firm and outlook is very promising sales California 26 000 lbs spring 28 @29c

Markets at Chicago

Chicago Dec 31 —The year closes with a firm feeling in grain and especially in provisions with a strongly developed tendency to advance The weakness and demoralization which attended the falling market did not prevent buyers from taking hold at the lower range, and the result has been a steady and marked advance Consequently high prices are again talked of change albeit there is less confidence than before The range of prices during the week was as follows for February

Wheat—95@98¾c

Corn—36⅞@37⅜c.

Oats—29¾@31½c

Pork—$12 42½@12 97½

Lard—8 42½@8 70

Closing February prices

Wheat—99⅞c

Corn—37⅛c

Oats—31¼@31⅜

Pork—$12 75@12 77½

Lard—$8 60@8 62½c

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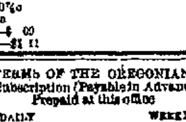

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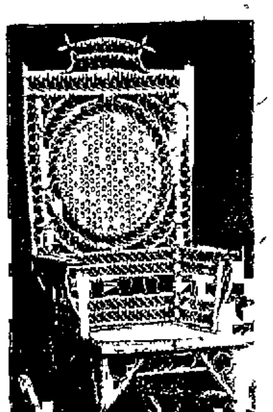

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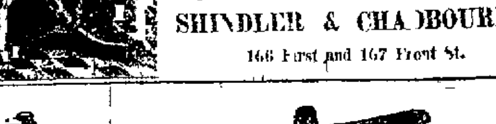

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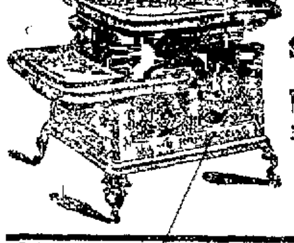

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